



## Henry Haute

June 11, 1919 - November 16, 2003

"Henry Van Haute"

KINGSFORD- Henry "Cotton" Van Haute, 84, of 945 Woodward Ave., Kingsford, died, Sunday, Nov. 16, 2003, at the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Iron Mountain.

Cotton was born June 11, 1919, in Aurora, Wis., son of the late Leo and Mary (DeClark) Van Haute. Cotton married June Fisher on Jan. 1, 1942, in Milwaukee. She preceded him in death on July 7, 1992.

Cotton was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II who served in the 36th Infantry Division-Anti-Tank Company, 142nd Infantry of the U.S. Army. He received many awards and medals to prove his valor and service to his country. Cotton's collection of medals and badges includes the American Campaign Medal, the Good Conduct Medal, the European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with two bronze service stars, the World War II Victory Medal, the Combat Infantryman Badge, the Bronze Star, the Honorable Service Lapel Button-World War II, the Sharpshooter Badge with Rifle Bar and the Marksman Badge with Tank Bar.

Cotton married Dorothy Kowalkowski on May 1, 1993, in Florence, Wis. He loved wildlife (especially birds), enjoyed hunting and was an avid trout fisherman.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Leonard and Raymond Van Haute; two sisters, Lavana Olson and Clara Weaver; and an infant son. Cotton is survived by his wife, Dorothy; a son, Terry (Jan) Van Haute; a

daughter, Darcia (Phillip) Johnson; step children, Thomas (Darcy) Kowalkowski, James (Laurie) Kowalkowski, Edward (Kim) Kowalkowski, Nancy (Michael) Dulek, Sandra (Marvin) Freeman, David (Melissa) Tatar, Betty (Richard) Swanson, and Tony (Barb) Tatar; 25 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Private family services will be held.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Cotton Van Haute online at [www.ernashfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ernashfuneralhomes.com).

The family has entrusted the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home of Iron Mountain with the funeral arrangements.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Terry and Darcie...Just to let you know we are thinking of you and your families. I always remember Uncle Cotton as a champion ice cream eater, and the best teller of stories to little kids. He also protected us from those little dogs that hid under the couch and bit our ankles. When we visited our kin in the U.P. he was the guy who made our vist so much fun. My dad was the one who said that he was the real war hero in our family. I'll always remember him with great warmth and affection. Marj and I extend our sympathy, and our thoughts are of you and your families. Gene and Marj Fisher

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**Gene and Marj Fisher** - November 24, 2003 at 12:00 AM

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“ Our Deepest Sympathy in the loss of your Father. Will always remember him walking the dog every day and his cheerfulness. Our thoughts are with you.  
From: Dan and Sharon LaVigne

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**Terry** - November 23, 2003 at 12:00 AM

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“ Terry, Jan and Darcy  
My deepest sympathys in the loss of your father. Uncle Cotton will always be remembered fondly by me. He was my favorite uncle. Sorry I am unable to attend the memorial sevice, but my thoughts and prayers are with you.

Love Cheri

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**cheri fisher-welch** - November 23, 2003 at 12:00 AM

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“ Terry and Darci, Mike and I send our prayers and sympathy to you and your families. Although we could not be present for Uncle Cotton's memorial we want you to know that our thoughts and love are with you.

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**Kaye (Fisher) Ricklefs** - November 21, 2003 at 12:00 AM

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“ Terry and Darcie, our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. We always enjoyed your dad and his sense of humor. He will be greatly missed.

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**Kathy (Sis) Evraets, Bobby LeMere, Terry (Nighorn) Komoroski** - November 19, 2003 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ Terry

*My deepest sympathy to you and your family on the loss of your father.*

*I remember him as a very friendly person, always with a smile.*

*Your old neighbor*

*Billy Heckler*

*PS: Enjoy your pictures on the internet. Keep up the good work.*

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**Billy Heckler** - November 18, 2003 at 12:00 AM