



## Herbert Leo Lewis

March 2, 1931 - July 19, 2015

Herbert Leo Lewis 84 of Kingsford, passed away on Sunday, July 19, 2015 at his home. He was born on March 2, 1931 in Sugar Island, Michigan, son of the late Hugh and Sophia (Baker) Lewis. He attended school at Sugar Island and Sault Sainte Marie, MI. Upon graduating from high school he enlisted in the United States Army, during which time he served in the Korean Conflict. Following his honorable discharge from the Army, he moved to Detroit where he worked as a foreman for General Motors. However, the call of the outdoors was too strong and he moved back to Michigan's Upper Peninsula where he pursued a career in Forestry at Michigan Technological University in Houghton, MI, opened a local business in Iron Mountain, MI, and ultimately settled down to raise a family.

Herb was an Elder with the Sault Sainte Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians. He loved playing music, and is well known for the talent that he brought to many local bands. He made friends easily and was well liked in many circles. More than anything, he enjoyed hunting, fishing, and being outdoors.

Herb is survived by his sons, Ryan Lewis of Phoenix, AZ; Randy Day of Detroit, MI; daughter Renee Summers of Detroit, MI; step-daughters, Kit (Daniel) Nelson of Kingsford and Kay O'Shaughnessy of Iron Mountain; as well as many grand-children. Herb is leaving behind a good number of family, friends, and memories.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Eloyce (Walsh) Lewis; his brothers and sisters: Milton, Edward, Herman, Louise, Della, Luella, and Norma; and his step-sons, Jay and Tim Walsh.

A Memorial Service to celebrate his life will be held at a later date.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Herbert L. Lewis online at [www.emashfuneralhomes.com](http://www.emashfuneralhomes.com)

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

# Tribute Wall

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“ My husband Pat and I were fortunate enough to know Herb in the 70's when we lived in the Iron Mountain area. We shared many good times fishing, laughing and dancing to his music. I remember driving to Lake Superior with Ryan and our daughter Krissy to have a picnic. Herb was a good friend to our family and he will be missed. Thanks for the memories Herb!

*Sharon Demerath, Las Vegas, Nevada*

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“ Herb was a friend of my parents, Pat & Sharon Demerath and he took time on many occasions to take me fishing. We once went up to Ontonagton and fished Lake Superior, he knew all the best spots locally as well.

*Herb was also a good mentor. He would provide small jobs like seeding the yard which would allow me to earn things. I remember earning a Willie Stargell signature baseball glove and a real nice Garcia rod & reel. I liked hanging out with Herb and sharing his passion for fishing. Thanks for the memories Herb and stay one step ahead of the*

*DNR !*

*Patrick Demerath*

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**Patrick Demerath** - July 26, 2015 at 08:34 PM