



Herman "Butch" Reed

April 12, 1938 - April 12, 2012

Herman R. "Butch" Reed, 74, of Niagara, passed away on Thursday, April 12, 2012 at St. Vincent Hospital in Green Bay.

He was born January 14, 1938 on the Stockbridge Reservation in Gresham, WI, son of the late James and Martha (Herzog) Reed. Butch was a U.S. Navy veteran, serving from 1956 to 1960. He married Elizabeth "Liz" Marcus on November 26, 1960 in Vintondale, PA. Butch was a mechanic by trade, obtaining a degree in automatic transmissions from Northern Michigan University in 1980. He was employed for several years at Machus Service Station in Kingsford and at Arco Service Station in Pembine. Butch also drove school bus for the Pembine School District, worked with his wife at the Port Restaurant, did roofing jobs, and worked at Grede Foundry for a few years among various other small jobs. His family was his number one priority and he did whatever was necessary to make ends meet. Butch was a car "nut" and especially liked older model and antique cars, tractors and pretty much anything with an engine. He enjoyed listening to and singing old country music songs. Butch always told his children, "No matter what happens in life, keep on singing." He also enjoyed watching Westerns on TV and reading novels by his favorite author, Louie LaMour. Butch was very fond of children and was always willing to help out anyone in need. He loved time spent with his family, especially his grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife of 51 years, Liz; six children, James (Lisa) Reed of Randville, Theresa Malone of Kingsford, Carl (Jean-Ann) Reed of Granite Bluff, Cheryl (John) Schultz of Bellevue, MI, Deborah (Robert) Bouche of Bellevue, MI and Joshua (Angela) Reed of Granite Bluff; 10 grandchildren, Keylyn and Alexander Reed, Michael (Victoria), Robert (Krystl) and Matthew Malone, Christopher and Nicholas Reed, Slone Schultz, and Reihannen and Izayah Reed; two great grandchildren, Kaden and Athena Malone; a brother, James (Fran) Reed of Pembine; a sister, Rubie (Louis) Lamprecht of Milwaukee, WI; his mother-in-law, Josephine Marcus; sisters-in-law, Alice Mans, Heidi Reed, Alvera (Walter) Spare and Mary (Scott) Foreman; brothers-in-law, Neil Etheridge and Philip (Teresa) Marcus; and many nieces and nephews.

Butch was preceded in death by two sisters, Eva Etheridge and Sadie Matchett and two brothers, Steve and Henry Reed.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, April 21 from 9:00am to 12:00 noon at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church in Kingsford. A memorial service will follow at 12:00 noon at the church. Deacon Brad Lemke will officiate. The American Legion Post 461 of Pembine will conduct military honors.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Herman "Butch" Reed online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com.

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

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **21**. 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church
420 W. Breitung Ave.
Kingsford, MI 49802

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ I have such fond memories playing at you house as a kid, riding in your dad's model T car, dancing at your bar, just to name a few. One of my best memories of your dad & my dad (Johnny) was when my dad brought my horse Ginger into our Bar (Trails Inn) YES I said INTO the Bar, to show your dad how he taught Ginger to take a shot of Peppermint Schnapps all by her self! They were always a HOOT when you got them too together!! He will surely be missed!

*Always in my thought & Prayers
Tracey (Geib) Geneske & Family*

Tracey (Geib) Geneske - Maple Grove, MN - Long time friend of the family - April 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

GN

“ My condolences to Aunt Liz and family. May the many good memories be with you as you grieve the loss of Butch. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Gretchen Anderson Zigman - Maple Grove , MN - great niece - April 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ Sorry to hear the news!! My prayers are with your whole family during this sad time.

Laura (DalSanto) Moloney - Pembine, WI - school friend of Debbie's - April 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ Deb and Family, I'm so sorry about your Dad. I will keep you all in my prayers. I hope to be there Saturday.

Ann Forstrom - Norway, MI - Deb's Friend - April 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ I remember fishing when I was very young with Uncle Butch! Grandpa loaded my brother Scott and I up in the truck and we drove to where Uncle Butch lived. Then we went to the bar to buy worms, rootbeer and beef jerky for the trip! I don't remember if we caught fish, but I remember that we had a good time and thinking how much he looked like Grandpa (James) back then!

Amy (Gietzel) Barneson - WI - great niece - April 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM