



Herman Chounard Jr

December 24, 1929 - January 16, 2024

Herman Chounard, Jr., 94, of Kingsford passed away Tuesday, January 16, 2024, at Marshfield Medical Center - Dickinson in Iron Mountain.

Herman was born December 24, 1929, in Loretto, MI, son of Herman and Margaret (DeBock) Chounard. He was a dairy farmer until he was drafted into the U.S. Army for the Korean War. Herman spent time at various locations overseas in South Korea, as well as stateside at the Hanford Plutonium/Atomic Bomb Plant near Yakima, WA, during his 2 year tour. Upon discharge from the Army, he worked for Kingsford Chemical, Canning Factory, and Montgomery Wards, but he spent the majority of his working career in various roles, from driver to dispatcher, at Clairmont Transfer Co. After Clairmont ceased operations in 1985, he worked for Khoury, Inc. for a short stint before taking a position at Bantom/Double Day/Dell Publishing group in Chicago, IL, as a dock worker where he worked until he retired in 1993.

Herman was married to Rosalie (Turdo) Grenfell Chounard for 28 years.

An avid sports fan, he loved watching the Green Bay Packers (unless they weren't doing well), as well as the Milwaukee Bucks and Chicago Cubs. He had a passion for basketball and participated throughout his high school years at Vulcan where he was a standout player at the center position. Often the high scorer, he was a key member of the team that took second place in 1945

and went on to win the championships in 1946 and '47. Herman also loved gardening of any kind, but he definitely had a green thumb with all things in the vegetable and flower gardens. An avid outdoorsmen (especially in his younger years), he loved being in the woods, whether it be fishing/ice fishing, snowshoeing, trapping and rabbit/bird/deer hunting.

Along with his parents, Herman is preceded in death by his wife, Rosalie, and stepson, John Grenfell.

He is survived by his 2 sons, Jeff Chounard (Vicki Dumke Wojdyla) of Kingsford, MI, and Tim Chounard (Michelle Scharrer) of Las Vegas, NV; a stepdaughter, Christine Grenfell/Massignan (Dale Broullire) of Aurora, WI; a step daughter-in-law, Liz Grenfell of Davison, MI; 2 grandsons, Jason (Erin) Massignan of Yorktown, VA, and Andrew (Tuuli) Massignan of De Pere, WI; a granddaughter, Ashley (Austin) Hirte of Pembine, WI; 9 great-grandchildren, Parker, Conner, AJ, Amelia, Michael, Brandon, Maisie, Noah, and Lincoln; a sister, Dianna Erickson of Kissimmee, FL; a brother, Dennis Chounard (Pat Plumstead) of Kissimmee, FL; and nephews Mark and Bruce Stanford of Kissimmee, FL.

Visitation will be held from 9:00 am - 10:00 am on Friday, May 24, 2024, at the Kingsford Funeral Home in Kingsford with a funeral service to follow at 10:00 am at the funeral home. Msgr. Joseph Gouin will officiate with military honors provided by the U.S. Army and Uren-Cooper-Johnson American Legion Post 50. Burial will be at the Norway Cemetery.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Herman Chounard, Jr. online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com

The family has entrusted the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home of Iron

Mountain with the arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Norway Twp. Cemetery

Norway, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **24.** 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Kingsford Funeral Home
1000 S. Carpenter
Kingsford, MI 49802

Funeral Service

MAY **24.** 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

GV

“ *RIP My friend, many years ago we were at Clairmont We were friends always,,,,,*

GERALD VANGOETHEM - January 26, 2024 at 12:40 PM

TC

“ *1 file added to the album Dad*



Tim Chounard - January 23, 2024 at 04:31 PM

TC

Early 1950's at the Puget Sound, WA.

Tim Chounard - January 23, 2024 at 04:44 PM

BR

“ *Jeff and family,
Sorry to hear the loss of your father. Sending prayers for the family.
Rich & Bonnie Ryberg*

Bonnie Ryberg - January 23, 2024 at 02:17 PM

CL

“ *"Red" was likely the last person still living in the perfect neighborhood I grew up in. Jeff and Tim, I am very sorry for your loss.*

Chuck Lauersdorf - January 23, 2024 at 02:08 PM

LG

“ *Love you Dad. You are with mom now.
Together forever.*



Liz Grenfell - January 22, 2024 at 07:14 PM