



## James LaFreniere

April 20, 1932 - April 20, 2003

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NORWAY - James E. LaFreniere, 71, of Norway died Sunday, April 20, 2003, at his home.

Jim was born Oct. 25, 1931, in Norway, son of Earl and Ethel (Edgren) LaFreniere. He was a 1949 graduate of Norway High School. After two years of schooling with General Motors Technical Institute, he began his working career as a mechanic and body man at LaFreniere Motor Co. in Norway. He operated that business for many years until his retirement. Jim was an avid Notre Dame football fan.

In addition to his parents, he was also preceded in death by a brother, Richard "Dick" LaFreniere.

He is survived by two sons, Edward (Marty) LaFreniere of Vulcan and Larry LaFreniere of Menominee; two daughters, Linda and Nancy LaFreniere, both of Norway; two brothers, William LaFreniere of Vulcan and John LaFreniere of Kingsford; two sisters, Lois (Kenneth) Benzie of Hamilton Lakes and Carol Brown of Murietta, Calif.; two grandchildren, Eric LaFreniere of Norway and Lori (Lonnie) Kregelka of Seffner, Fla., and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday at the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home of Iron Mountain. Memorial services will be at 6 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. Fr. William Callari will officiate. Burial will be in the Norway Township Cemetery. A memorial will be established in his memory.

Condolences may be expressed to the LaFreniere family 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

Leetta  
King

“ *I'm really sorry about Jimmy. He was the first friend I made when we moved to Mount Morris in 1968. We played together hung out together, and definitely got in trouble together. He was a good guy.*

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**Leetta King** - April 12, 2018 at 03:22 PM

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“ *To the LaFreniere Family - I am so saddened to hear of Jim's passing. As long as I can remember he has been my dad's best friend. Their friendship became a template of loyalty and consistency that to this day I gauge all friendship upon. I treasure the memories of times spent together in food, fun and friendship. Jim sold me my first two cars and that was even with me living out of state. He was a fair man with an unspoken loyalty on which you could bet your life. He will always be "Twinkle-Toes" to me and my family and I know that he already bought a round for the gang up in heaven. My sincerest condolences to your whole family as your grieve the passing of a truly wonderful and unique man who brought smiles to so many. Sincerely, Bill VerMeulen*

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**Bill VerMeulen** - April 23, 2003 at 12:00 AM