



James Arthur Swanson

December 4, 1930 - September 9, 2023

James Arthur Swanson, “Swanie”, 92, of Iron Mountain, passed away peacefully Saturday, September 9, 2023, at Optalis Health and Rehab Kingsford.

Jim was born December 4, 1930, in Kingsford, MI, son of the late Mark and Florence (Bouffiou) Swanson. After graduating high school he served in the U.S. Navy from 1949-1951. Jim married high school sweetheart Janet Stohl on October 13, 1951, and worked for Michigan Bell Telephone Company as a toll testman for 31 years.

A lifelong resident of the area, Jim was very active in his community. In 1993 he joined Habitat for Humanity, building houses for the next eight years and serving two of those years on the board of directors. In May of 1997 he started Road to Recovery, driving for ten years, and he spent 20 years installing Life Line in homes. As a blood donor, he donated more than 19 gallons, which was his proudest accomplishment. Jim was also a church usher for more than 20 years at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. He was an active member of the Holy Name Society for 45 years, an avid bowler for more than 50 years, and after retiring, a golfer for 21 years and a member of Oak Crest Golf Course. He was an avid lifelong Packer Fan. Lastly, Jim was a passionate woodworker, often giving his woodworkings to family members, the church and fundraisers. He was very proud of the many jewelry boxes he donated for

charity.

Jim is survived by his wife, Janet; his son, Allan (Carrie) Swanson; three daughters, Paula Wedger, Jean (Dale) Meyer, and Nancy (Doug) Ekvall; a brother, Arthur (Darlene) Swanson; a sister, Lois Rochon; and six grandchildren, Mike Meyer, Ben (Jacquelyn) Swanson, Jacob Swanson (friend Kala), Ashley Wedger, and Zachary and Lauren Ekvall; two great grandchildren; Emily and Lucas Swanson. Also survived by many loving nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by a brother, Richard Swanson; a son-in-law, Steve Wedger; a brother-in-law, Roger Rochon; and a sister-in-law, Vera Swanson.

Visitation will be 9:30 am - 10:30 am on Friday, September 15, 2023 at the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home in Iron Mountain. Funeral services will be held Friday at 11:00 am at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Iron Mountain. Fr. Mark McQuesten will offer the Mass of Christian Burial. Interment will be in Iron Mountain Cemetery Park.

Condolences to the family of James Arthur Swanson may be expressed online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com

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

Cemetery Details

Cemetery Park

101 Cedar Ave.
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **15**. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home
901 Carpenter Avenue
Iron Mountain, MI 49801
(906) 774-7676
nashfuneralhome@gmail.com
<https://www.ernashfuneralhomes.com/>

Mass of Christian Burial

SEP **15**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church
500 Blaine St.
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James Arthur Swanson.*



September 14, 2023 at 12:18 PM

DB

“ *Dear Janet & Family*

So sorry to see that Jim passed away. My deepest sympathy to you all.

My thoughts & prayers are with you all.

Most sincerely,

Dahly Bosley

Dahly Bosley - September 14, 2023 at 10:53 AM

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“ *Janet and family,*

My deep sympathy in the loss of your husband, father and grandfather, I remember best his golfing with my late husband at Oak Crest and Harlan telling me what a great guy Jim was.

My love and prayers are with you. May God's loving arms comfort you when you need it most..

Keeping you in prayer.

Orice Walters



Orice Walters - September 13, 2023 at 12:19 PM

JC

“ *Joy Carlson lit a candle in memory of James Arthur Swanson*



Joy Carlson - September 11, 2023 at 06:54 PM