



## Jay Edward Hoffman

July 5, 1953 - December 31, 2025

Jay Edward Hoffman, 72, of Channing, peacefully passed away after a 9 month battle with cancer on Wednesday, December 31, 2025, at home with his family.

He was born on July 5, 1953, in Toledo, Ohio, to John and Ruth Hoffman and graduated from Whiteford High School in 1971. He married Beth Bischoff on December 30, 1972, at St. Michaels Lutheran Church in Temperance, MI. They moved to Channing, MI, in September of 1974 and raised their family there. He started in electrical line work as an apprentice in 1971 in Lower Michigan and later retired from Michels Electric as a superintendent in 2007.

Jay was an avid hunter, but his passion was training and running his hounds. He was one of the founding members of the UP Bear Houndsmen Association and served as vice president for many years. He enjoyed following his grandchildren in all their various interests and looked forward to his family's annual week-long vacation on Lake Gogebic for the last fifteen years.

Jay was preceded in death by his parents, John and Ruth Hoffman, and his brother, Jack Hoffman.

Jay is survived by his loving wife of 53 years, Beth Hoffman of Channing, MI; his children, Matt (Shelly Lindquist) Hoffman of Norway, MI, Katie (George)

Wuensch of Crivitz, WI, and Jolene (Kurt) Kramer of Hardwood, MI; his grandchildren, Lucas, Allison, and Jenna Wuensch of Green Bay, WI, and Delaney, Spencer, and Trenton Kramer of Hardwood, MI; one sister, Amy Hoffman of Carney, MI; many other family members; and a special nephew, Michael Hoffman of Granite Bluff, MI, who shared his love of hunting with hounds.

Jay met many people over the years through working and hunting who became lifelong friends.

Private family services were held Monday, January 5, 2026, at the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home with Rev. Lori Liverance officiating.

While the service was private, the family would appreciate any memorial gifts be made as contributions to the Dickinson County Cancer Unit Loan Closet 201 E. Breitung Ave. Kingsford, MI 49802.

The family would like to express their gratitude to MMC-Dickinson Hospice for their kindness and support.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Jay Edward Hoffman online at [www.ernashfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ernashfuneralhomes.com)

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

# Tribute Wall

Jl

“ *Jill lit a candle in memory of Jay Edward Hoffman*



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**Jill** - January 06 at 07:49 PM

KY

“ *Can't thank you enough for all the great time's rest in peace uncle Jay*

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**Kylebrown** - January 06 at 07:01 PM

CG

“ *Dear Beth, and Family, so very sorry to hear about your husband. My sincere sympathy to you all.*

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**Cynthia Gordon** - January 05 at 08:57 PM

LC

“ *So sad to hear about Jay's, passing thoughts and prayers for the family ❤️. Give Mom. Hug from Me!*

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**Lee Cook** - January 05 at 06:43 PM

MR

“ *Visiting my Uncle Jay and Aunt Beth in the UP are some of my most fondest memories, and they still come to mind ever so often. Jay was always super kind to me and my many, many siblings on our visits, despite the choas we probably brought. He will be missed. - Micah Reed*

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**Micah Reed** - January 05 at 02:33 PM

AB

*Jay was the best friend I ever had huntedwith him 55 years in the same woods. We have many beautiful times and some may be not quite as good but always had a great time. I think of him every day, and I hope that don't change a great friend.*

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**al berens** - January 05 at 07:09 PM

BR

*Jay was a friend of mine for over 50 years . Was introduced to him by LL EDWARDS a bear hunter from Illinois . Lawrence died . Jay said don't quit coming just because Lawrence died . I continued to come . Thank you to Jay and his family the friendship . Bob*

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**bob rankin** - January 08 at 06:19 PM