



Jesse Snowdon

January 31, 1981 - January 31, 2007

Kingsford - Jesse R. Snowdon, 26, of 913 Withworth Ave. Kingsford, died unexpectedly on Wednesday, January 31, 2007 at Dickinson County Memorial Hospital in Iron Mountain.

Jesse was born on November 16, 1980 in Iron Mountain, son of Randy Snowdon and Laurie Richard. He graduated from Escanaba High School in 1999. Jesse loved music, playing the guitar and making people laugh. He was always the life of the party and lived life to the fullest. He was a loyal friend and most of all, Jesse loved his fiancée and family very much.

He is survived by his parents, Randy (Susan) Snowdon of Escanaba and Laurie Richard (Marc Hagerty) of Kingsford; a brother, Jeffrey Snowdon of Missouri (U.S. Army); sisters, Jennifer (Jason) Pepin of Escanaba and Desiree Callouette of Grand Rapids; his fiancée, Jessica Fraker of Kingsford; maternal grandparents, Ronald and Bev (Brault) Richard; paternal grandparents, James (Joyce) Snowdon of Vulcan and Joan Snowdon of Iron Mountain; aunts and uncles, Ken (Jean) Richard, David (Shannon) Richard, Mike (Cara) Snowdon, Lori (Ron) Noskey, and Janet "Auntie J.J." (Pat) Maraccini; and many step relatives.

Jesse was preceded in death by an uncle, Jeff Snowdon.

Visitation will be on Saturday from 11:00am to 2:00pm CST at the Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home in Iron Mountain. Funeral services will follow at 2:00pm CST at the funeral home. Rev. James Holmberg of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Escanaba will officiate. Burial will be in the Quinnesec

Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial will be established in his memory.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Jesse Snowdon online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com

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

Tribute Wall

JL

“ It's weird but I had a dream about Jesse last night which got me to thinking today of whatever happened to him between the last time I spoke with him (which was probably 1999) and the day he died - so I was Googling him and came across his memorial, and fortunately got to see a little of what his life was during that time. Like many others have said, Jesse was one of the funniest people I've ever met - most of my anecdotes wouldn't be appropriate on his obituary page - but I can relate one memory where he talked me into going to his church by saying they had a band that sounds just like Korn - so I went with him and it was just normal church music. He was sort of bizarre like that and very dedicated to whatever joke or prank he had his mind set on - it was always with good intentions, to make people laugh. That's the other thing I remember, was his kindness. He often visited me out of the blue when I was a young adult and sort of struggling financially, just to talk and invite me out to go bowling or whatever. He is missed and sometimes I tell stories of him to random people in California where I have lived since 2003 but he's one of those people where you'd have to have met him to really understand how unique he was

Jacob LaBay - February 22, 2023 at 06:52 PM

SM

“ Sorry here is my correct e-mail address, Sandy

Sandy Meier - February 09, 2007 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ Randy and Family...I was very sorry to see your loss. I shopped at Econo and did not realize this was your son, but remember how nice he was. I somewhat know what you are going thru as my stepson (who I raised for many years) lost his life when he was 22 in an automobile accident. It is quite tramatic when the loss is so sudden. If you care to connect with me or my husband Jim. . . you have my e-mail. This is all I have to offer to ease your grief. God Bless you all and give you peace. Sandy (Granquist) Meier---Class of '76

Sandy (Granquist) Meier - February 09, 2007 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ To the Snowdon Family, I never knew Jesse but,knew his Father Randy and Randys Mother Joan and Father Jim, we were friends back in the 60's I read most of the condolences and sounds like Jesse was loved by all. May his spirit live with all of you, forever. Sincerely Shirley Olson

Shirley Olson Green Bay, Wi. - February 06, 2007 at 12:00 AM

AA

“ My dearest Laurie, and the Snowdon family. The world has lost such a wonderful person; I do not know how my life will ever be the same without Jesse in it. I, along with many others who knew Jesse, do not know what to do with myself these days. A big part of my heart is missing or out of reach, and it is an unexplainable hurt that I am feeling. I guess that sometimes we don't exactly know how much people mean to us until they are gone. However, Jesse must have been an exception to the rule, because I DID know how much he meant to me. The loss is confusing to all of us who loved him so, and I don't think there will ever be a day that I don't think of him or know what he meant to me. He surely changed my life. I met Jesse a few years back while we both were in college. We started out in Rhet and Comp...mostly a writing/grammar class that showed off his talents and abilities in the world of non-fictional essays. Everyone loved Jesse in that class. He was so damn funny, and proved to be an outstanding student. I sat next to him, and I couldn't wait to go to school everyday, to see what crazy things he had to say, or what inventions he was coming up with that week. One day, he came into class with some paperwork on an invention he came up with for Pringles chips. He was so excited that he got a patented on this chip lifter, that we all clapped for him, and we congratulated him on his newfound invention. He was always coming up with fantastic ideas, and great stories. Soon, I developed an unceremonious friendship with him, as we found we had many things in common. A friendship evolved, as he soon became my best friend-my, "Chocolate Thunder." (Smile) He was a genuine positive influence in my life. He had this sense of confidence and usefulness that rubbed off on me-in my quest to establish a purpose in my life. He may not have always followed virtuous principles, but my God, the road he traveled was paved with good intentions. I don't know what else to say about Jesse...I'm thankful to possess reserved, special, and private thoughts of him that will always be my own, and I know who he was and how much I loved him. I cannot express to family and friends how heavy-hearted this makes me feel, how his passing makes us all feel, but he IS with God...and we'll meet again some day. Here is just a small poem that his passing has prompted me to

*write to help me through the pain? I would like to share...
Drifting away like waves from the shore,
Where have you gone Jesse...can't see you anymore-
Waves used to pass by with a rhythmic flow,
Always expected each one... took you for granted you know-
I thought you would be here forever, my sunrise for the day,
Shoreline?s empty now, you have gone away-
Left with memories like a gentle wind across the sand,
Faced with a sea breeze of what I do not understand-
May God light the way to your saving grace
Fond remembrance?s of you, is what I?ll embrace-
I'll miss you forever my dear friend..I love you*

Angela Alexander - February 06, 2007 at 12:00 AM

H(

“ *My deepest condolences to the Snowden family. I went to school with Jesse and I will remember how he always made a bad day into a good one. He was always there to cheer up anyone that needed it. I will always remember what a great friend he was. We will all miss you Snowden.*

Heather Nelson (Morreau-Hentz) - February 05, 2007 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ *I will never forget the day I met my new brother Jesse and how he would follow me around and always want to be doing what my brother and I were doing. The days on Eskill teaching him how to play guitar are memories I will cherish forever, it was such an honor to have been part of his life and watch him grow up. My condolences go out to all who had the pleasure of knowing him. I'll miss you little bro.*

Ryan Hagerty - February 05, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ My sympathy goes out to everyone touched by Jesse's passing. He touched the world and all the people around him even if he was only here for a short period of time. He will never be forgotten.

Jen (Murray) Carter - February 04, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ My heartfelt sympathy to the Snowden family. Although I haven't seen Jesse since high school I will greatly miss him. He will always be remembered for his humor and personality. My thoughts are with you.

Jamie Martinson - February 03, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ sue and randy, I was very sorry to see jesse's picture in the obituaries I only met jesse at Elmers county market,I believe he worked there,I may be wrong.He was one of the nicest young men i ever met.you are in our prayers,God Bless, jean marohnic (Stanchina):(

jean marohnic - February 03, 2007 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ To Laurie & Family and the Snowden Family,
My heartfelt sympathy in your loss of Jesse. I remember him and Jeff bouncing off the furniture when Allison and I used to babysit for the boys when you lived on the North side. Although I have not seen much of the Richard Family since my mom and Roger got divorced, I think about everyone often. Just know you are all in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

Love,
Dina

Dina Perrault - February 03, 2007 at 12:00 AM

AP

“ Laurie, Jessica and family-My heart breaks for you all! What a terrible loss for us all who loved Jesse.

Auntie Pam - February 03, 2007 at 12:00 AM

CN

“ Randy, Sue and family,
We are so sorry to hear of the loss of Jesse. We didn't really know him, but knew that you were close to him. You are in our thoughts and prayers at this sad time in your lives. Just keep on remembering him in your thoughts. He will always be in your hearts. If you need anything, please feel free to give us a call. We are here for you.

Love, Jack, Cathy and Kimberly Niles

Cathy, Jack and Kimberly Niles - February 03, 2007 at 12:00 AM

WW

“ Words escape me...I am so terribly sorry for your loss. Though I try to imagine losing one of my own children, it's incomprehensible to me...I can't begin to imagine your pain. So, I pray that God will bring you peace and that the wonderful memories you've made over the years will sustain you and ease your pain some day, some-how.

My prayers are with you all.

Most Sincerely....

Wendy Welty

Wendy Welty - February 03, 2007 at 12:00 AM

AV

“ For everyone that knew Jesse, the world is a lesser place without him in it. Randy and Family, I'll miss Jesse greatly. He left me with so many great memories. I will never forget Jesse and the impact he has had me. He could make a situation funny no matter how serious it was. Im so sorry. I'll love Jesse always. Camp was our thing. Love ya buddy. Deepest sympathy, Andy Verhamme

Andy Verhamme - February 03, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ To the Snowden Family, Im sorry for your loss. I went to school with Jesse. Jesse was one of the most outgoing and nicest person i ever met. One of my best memories from high school was after we graduated, about 30 of us went camping in cedar river for the "class party". We all sat around the campfire laughing and singen for hours while Jesse led us with his guitar. I guess we were haven to much fun because the DNR showed up. Alot of people freaked and took off runnen in the pitch black woods. Jesse just kept on singing. Even while the DNR was handing out tickets Jesse just kept on playing his guitar. I remeber the officer telling him to stop jammen out. With a smile Jesse replied , "If I stop playing how are all of my friends, that are probly lost already, gonna find there way back after u leave?". He was more concerned about the people in the woods then himself getting in trouble. Thats just the kind of guy he was. He always seemed to care so much about everyone. He was a great guy and will be missed by everyone. I am truely sorry for your loss.

Matt Dickerson - February 02, 2007 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ *randy*
i'm so sorry to hear about your loss. sometimes life just doesn't seem fair. my prayers are with you and your family.
i wish i could be there for you as you were for me with my losses, but unfortunately i'm in florida visiting don and judy brunelle.
as i said,my prayers will be with you.

paul

paul moroni - February 02, 2007 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ *I'm sorry for your loss. I was a classmate of Jesse's. He was a great guy.*

Alison Smith - February 02, 2007 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ *Randy and family, we are so sorry for your loss. You are all in our prayers.*

Robert Blalock - February 02, 2007 at 12:00 AM

TR

“ *I would like to extend my deepest condolences and sympathies to the Snowden family for their loss. Jesse will be remembered for his infectious smile and the ability to make others laugh with him.*

Tracy Roberts - February 02, 2007 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ Randy and Family, I'm so sorry for your loss. I have known Jesse since we were in grade school. I graduated high school with him and we even went to homecoming our junior year as friends. He was a lot of fun to be around and he would always be able to put a smile on your face. He will truly be missed by many. My blessing to you and your family during this time.

Kim Holden - February 02, 2007 at 12:00 AM

GR

“ There are no words I can expressed by the suuden loss of Jesse. I met Jesse last summer and we instantly became friends. He made me laugh alot. It is such a tragedy to loss a human being like Jesse who had a great sense of humor,a very down to earth personality, and someone that had so much compassion towards other people. He was a very good-hearted person and that's what I will always remember about him. To Jesse's family and his fiance Jessica, you are in my thoughts and prayers at this most difficult time. I will miss Jesse very much. He was an awesome person. I am so sorry for your loss!!!!

Gar Robarge - February 02, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ To Jessica Fraker,my prayers go out to you.May god hold on to you and know that he has so much in store for you.never forget the love that you two had.....Love Maureen(JULIAN)Pasten

Maureen Pastenc - February 02, 2007 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ dear snowdon family you have my thoughts and prayers. i am so truly sorry for your loss. jesse and i went to school together, and he always made me laugh. he was just such a good person, with such a good heart. he will be missed by all. god bless your family. i am so sorry.

Rebecca Sesedquist-Christianson - February 02, 2007 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ Dear Randy and Family,
We are so sorry for your loss. We did not know Jess but heard how he was the life of the party, and friend to all. We know that he will be missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Darlene & Dave Champeau - February 02, 2007 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ Randy, I am so sorry for your loss. Even though I never knew Jess I can feel all your pain. As I read the memories, he was a very loved man. Stay strong. Sarah Paradise

Sarah Paradise - February 02, 2007 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ Dear Randy & Family,
So sorry for your loss, We didn't know Jess to well but was in his company several times & he was a very polite gentleman wish we would have known him better, We send our love & prayers to you and your family. Love, Aunty Lu & Uncle George

Lucille & George Snowden - February 02, 2007 at 12:00 AM

BG

“ Jesse was my cousin and i dint really know my dads side of the family but i was recently incarcerated with him and he was by far the greatest guy ever i remember when my grandfather died and he was the only one to make me feel better when i felt so alone i miss him so much and i wish i could see him just one more time or hear one of his jokes. They say "God givith and God takith away," but Jesse was one that should have never left us my deepest condolences go out to you and your family

with love,
Daniel Louis Gordon

Bud Gordon - February 02, 2007 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Laurie, Bev and Ron,
I'm so sorry to hear of your loss. I remember Laurie that you and I were pregnant at the same time and how scared we were. You all are in my thoughts and prayers. My heart sank when I heard of your loss.

Sally O'Brion Shivy

sally shivy - February 02, 2007 at 12:00 AM

GT

“ Sue & Randy

We want to send our condolences to you and your family.

I want to help, but I don't know how??

Listen gentle people and hear my truest needs??

I hear you stumble for words, relax?

There are no words.

*I hear you remembering a funny story about my loved one,
and looking embarrassed because you are laughing.*

Share with me, let me laugh,

*It gives me something to hold on to
in the middle of the night when I feel only pain.*

Be your happy self and let me be?

On days when I can laugh , I will

On days when I speak of my loved one,

I need you to share my memories.

You don't have to give me answers,

For I will learn to live without them.

*You don't have to pretend my loved one never existed,
thinking I will forget them if you do.*

Let me speak her name,

And you speak it too.

She is always there, the one I loved so deeply.

Always part of who I am.

If you take that from me,

I will be less than who I am.

Greg & Cathy Tolman - February 02, 2007 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ Randy,
Sorry man I know how close you were. He was a good friend of
Katie's and was always very out going and friendly. I haven't seen
him in a few years but he and Katie have kept contact. Hopefully
time will heal, sorry Bud, Don

DON BRUNELLE - February 02, 2007 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ Dear Family & Jessica - We are so sorry for your loss. We are
shocked and heartbroken. We feel as if we've lost one of our boys.
Jesse made everyone's day brighter. Always so upbeat and funny.
He cared about everyone. Right now - he would be worried about all
of us and would try to make us laugh. The world has lost a very
special person. Our prayers to everyone.

Terry & Karen Beauchamp - February 02, 2007 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ My deepest condolences to the Snowden family. I graduated with
Jesse and I will always remember his great love if life and ability to
make others laugh and enjoy it right along with him! He was a
wonderful person. May God comfort you all during this most difficult
time.

Sara Bingham - February 02, 2007 at 12:00 AM

GW

“ *My life is a lesser place now that my good friend is gone. I still cant understand why someone so good is gone. Jess made me smile and laugh whenever I seen him and I will never forget him. He was the best cousin and friend a guy could ever ask for and this world looks dark and grey without him. He would not want us to be sad so I have been telling everyone who will listen to me stories of our adventures and fun times we had together. I will miss you very much Jess.*

Glenn Wright - February 02, 2007 at 12:00 AM