



John Caruso

July 1, 1928 - July 1, 2013

John Guido Caruso, 85, of Iron Mountain passed away on Monday, July 1, 2013 at HCR Manorcare in Kingsford. He was born on April 20, 1928 in Hartford, Connecticut, son of the late John and Rose (Jaffola) Caruso. John and his family moved to Iron Mountain in 1930 at the age of 2, and resided here until 1950. John enlisted in the United States Army during WWII, and was honorably discharged. He then moved to Milwaukee to start his career with the Louis Allis Company, and it was there that he met the love of his life. He married Barbara Stelloh on June 21, 1952, and they just recently celebrated their 61st Wedding Anniversary. John worked as a machinist for the Louis Allis Company for more than 35 years, retiring on May 1, 1983. While working there he had a hand in machining many parts used in the Apollo Space Program. Upon retiring, he and his family moved back to Iron Mountain, where they built their new home in 1983. John did not rest in his retirement, instead he spent his time working with his Uncle Guido Jaffola, as the Manager and handyman of his many properties in town. He also took classes in Taxidermy, and became a very skilled Taxidermist. John was an avid outdoorsman and hunter, and up until last year he was still hunting in a tree during deer season. He was a diehard Packer fan, and a faithful reader of the Packer Report, which he had read to him by his daughter in his last few days. John loved his family, and really enjoyed the summers when all of his grandchildren would come and stay with them for 2 weeks in the summer. He was preceded in death by a son, Billy Joe Caruso in 1955, and a

granddaughter Melissa Marifke in December 2012.

John is survived by his loving wife, Barbara Caruso of Iron Mountain; his children Rosanne Caruso of Iron Mountain, Karen (Gary) Thompson of Iron Mountain, and Connie (Glenn) Marifke of Wind Lake, WI; grandchildren, Joshua Weaver, Sgt. Ryan A. (Robyn) Livingston, Brian (Samantha) Marifke, Lori (Samuel) Osieczonek, Amanda Weaver, and Jonathon Thompson; 7 great grandchildren; a brother August (Cinde) Caruso of Iron Mountain

The visitation will be held on Friday from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm at the Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home in Iron Mountain. The funeral service will at 4:00 pm at the funeral home. Fr. Daniel Zaloga will officiate. Burial will take place in the Southern Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Union Grove Wisconsin.

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

Condolences may be expressed to the family of John Guido Caruso online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com

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

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 5. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home
901 Carpenter Ave.
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

Memorial Service

JUL 5. 4:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

JC

“ To the family of John I would like to express my condolences. John was my cousin and a great man from the Jafolla.s family and love by all. He will be missed dearly. I will be praying for the family. He is in the hands of god. as well as Guido and Joey.

My prayers

James W. Jafolla

James W. Jafolla - Cecil, WI - cousin - July 06, 2013 at 12:00 AM

FK

“ To:
Barb, Girls,and Family:
I was very saddened to learn of John's passing. I took some time to reflect on all the times we all spent during the years. John was a man I looked up to and had great respect for. I've often tried to picture him and my dad growing up together based on the many stories I've heard. I apologize as I am not able to attend the services as I am out of the area. You are all in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May the void be filled with many memories of all the good times. Visit these memories often. I will contact you soon.

Take care...

Fraser

Fraser Kranz - July 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ *I will always remember Mr. Caruso as a kind and gentle man . The whole family has my deepest sympathies . God bless you all in this difficult time .*

Sue (Lowis) Christensen - South Milwaukee, WI - Friend - July 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM