



## Kenneth D. Lindstrom

April 26, 1938 - February 14, 2021

Kenneth D. “Shimo” Lindstrom, 82, of Moon Lake passed away on Sunday, February 14, 2021, at Angel’s Touch Assisted Living in De Pere, Wisconsin.

Ken was born in Iron Mountain, Michigan on April 26, 1938, son of the late Helmer “Shimo” and Louise (Lupini) Lindstrom. Ken was a 1956 graduate of Iron Mountain High School. In 1960 he married Darlene Peebles at St. Mary and St. Joseph Catholic Church. Darlene preceded him in death in 2015.

Ken received bachelor’s degrees in Spanish and History from Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo, Michigan, a master’s degree in Spanish from The Universidad Interamericana in Mexico, and a master’s degree in counseling from Northern Michigan University in Marquette, Michigan.

Ken began his long career in education as a Spanish and History teacher in Royal Oak, Michigan, and then in La Grange Park, Illinois. He and his family returned to Iron Mountain, Michigan where he was the principal at Channing High School. He retired in 1995 from North Dickinson High School in Felch, Michigan where he was a guidance counselor, Spanish teacher, and football coach.

Ken was a talented pianist, and fluent in Spanish and Italian. He was proud of his Italian and Swedish heritage and often cooked ethnic dishes at holiday gatherings (Lutefisk was not his specialty). He was an avid Cub fan and enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren and talking about his childhood

friends and growing up in the “25 Location” area of town. He had a wonderful extended family and often said his numerous cousins were like siblings to him.

In addition to his parents and wife, Ken was preceded in death by his brother Donald, and his father-in-law and mother-in-law, Frank and Dorothy Oien of Iron Mountain.

Kenneth is survived by his children, Cynthia Lindstrom of Green Bay, Lisa (Timothy) Danielson of Milwaukee, Catherine (David) Lindsley, of Green Bay, and Kenneth (Kim Carpenter) Lindstrom of Marquette; his six grandchildren, Maclain, Jack, and Nicholas Danielson, and Noah, Aaron, and Lauren Lindsley. Ken is also survived by his brother-in-law, James (Darlene) Peebles.

Private family visitation and funeral services will be held at St. Mary & St. Joseph Church in Iron Mountain. Fr. Janusz Romanek will officiate. A celebration of Ken’s life will be held next summer at Moon Lake.

The Lindstrom family wishes to thank the staff at Angel’s Touch Assisted Living for the excellent, compassionate, and loving care they provided, Sharon Danielson, Paul Martin, and Marlene Feira for their frequent visits to see Ken these past few years, and Robert (Buzzy) and Gina Olivanti for their lifetime of friendship and support.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Special Olympics organization or to St. Mary & St. Joseph Church in Iron Mountain.

Condolences to the family of Kenneth Lindstrom may be expressed 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.



# Cemetery Details

## Cemetery Park

Cedar Ave  
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

# Events

**Details are pending.**

# Tribute Wall

DO

“ *Shimo was one of our best friends from the time we met in junior high school. We hung out and played sports. In fact in football He and I would count in Italian on which way we were going to block our opponents. We have great and fond memories from sports, school, pool hall days, parties, weddings and many more. He will be missed but never forgotten. Dickie and Buzzy Olivanti.*

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**Dick and Buzzy Olivanti** - February 21, 2021 at 01:11 PM

LM

“ *Ken and I grew up together and were friends since the third grade. Always remember our talks and emails. So sorry for your loss. He was a wonderful person...*

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**Lorna McLeod** - February 21, 2021 at 12:52 PM

RL

“ *Ken was very kind and generous to my parents. He was always ready to lend a hand. He was especially thoughtful to them when they were sick. My condolences to your family.*

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**Robert Lupini** - February 20, 2021 at 07:57 PM

DR

“ Dear ones,  
We are saddened by the passing of a wonderful friend, your dad. Don worked alongside Ken for over 30 years, teaching and painting, becoming the best of friends. Ken had a wealth of stories and jokes to tell which always made for a good time.  
When our twins, Peter and Paul, were just two years old, your mom and dad babysat them at your house by Lake Antoine, remember that? They had a good time there.  
When Don visited Ken at Evergreen Assisted Living, Ken always performed on the piano for him. Ken will live on in our memories.  
Don and June Rittenhouse and family.

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**Don and June Rittenhouse** - February 20, 2021 at 02:45 PM

CS

“ Cindy, Lisa, Cathy, Kenny...so sorry to read your Dad's obituary. I enjoyed visiting with him at Evergreen. I know he and your Mom are together now and smiling down on all of you. Sympathies to all.

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**Carol Scott** - February 19, 2021 at 10:21 AM

DT

“ I always looked forward to the annual family picnics we had at the house by Lake Antoine when we were so young. Those were such good times. I always had a fondness for Ken and the Lindstrom family and looked forward to those reunions. I wish family would interact like that these days. We all get to know everyone so much better. My condolences to all who will miss Ken and may he rest in peace.

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**Darren Tavonatti** - February 18, 2021 at 12:00 PM

RR

“ *My deepest sympathy to Ken's family.  
Ken was a good friend and classmate who always had a story,  
concern for others and a helping hand.*  
*Roger Rocconi*

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**Roger Rocconi** - February 17, 2021 at 06:34 PM

JG

*God bless you all at this difficult time. Ken was a great neighbor and  
always fun to talk with.*

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**Jean Groeneveld** - February 18, 2021 at 11:09 AM