



Kevin G. Richtig

October 21, 1971 - October 10, 2025

Kevin G. Richtig, 53, lost his very courageous battle with cancer on Friday, October 10, 2025, surrounded by his loving family. We are grateful he is now at peace and in the loving arms of the Lord, where he is no doubt putting on one heck of a rock show.

Kevin was born on October 21, 1971, in Iron Mountain, MI. He grew up and loved lake life on Lake Ellwood in Spread Eagle, WI. He was a proud 1990 graduate of Florence High School.

Kevin held many careers over his life. He was a fantastic radio DJ, car salesman, distributor for Bloom Wholesale, Skiters announcer and most recently a postal carrier for the postal service.

Kevin was an avid Green Bay Packers fan and truly cherished the games he attended with his sister, as well as the draft in Green Bay in April. He was at his last Packer game a month ago with his friend, Merkel.

Kevin was always the life of any party, and his love for all things, music and guitar will be what most will remember him for. He played in several bands over the years and entertained this community proudly. He knew he was the best guitar player around. His smile, positive attitude and loving spirit were certainly infectious and will live on.

He did have a greater love than music and that was for his daughter, Sophia, and his close family and friends. Kevin had too many friends to mention, and his family is eternally grateful for them.

Kevin is survived by his precious Bird, Sophia Richtig of Iron Mountain; his parents, Gary and Jeannine Richtig of Kingsford; his sister, Teresa (Rick) Chrisman and his special nephews, Carson and Connor and niece, Kelsi Chrisman, all of Aurora, WI; step daughter, Hailee LaVarnway of Kingsford, MI; many loving aunts, uncles and cousins; and his loving best friend and companion, his dog, Lucy.

He was preceded in death by maternal grandparents, Harry and Ida Rochon, and paternal grandparents, Valentine and Cecilia Richtig.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, October 15, 2025, from 4:00 to 7:00 pm at Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home of Iron Mountain. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11:00 am on Thursday, Oct. 16, at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church with Fr. Mike Chenier presiding. A luncheon and Celebration of Kevin's life will follow at the C&R in Aurora, WI.

In lieu of flowers, the family will be accepting donations in Kevin's memory.

Condolences to the family of Kevin Richtig may be expressed online at www.e rnashfuneralhomes.com.

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

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **15**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (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

OCT **16**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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

Celebration of Life

OCT **16**. 12:00 PM.

C & R Bar
Aurora, WI

Tribute Wall



“ Erickson-Rochon-Nash Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Kevin G. Richtig



Erickson-Rochon-Nash Funeral Home - October 17, 2025 at 11:48 AM

MS

What a beautiful tribute to Kevin's life. He will be missed by all who knew him! Rest easy Kevin...

Mary (Verberg) Stec - October 17, 2025 at 04:23 PM

BR

“ What a beautiful man. The world will be a little less bright without you in it. Rest easy my friend.



Brenda - October 20, 2025 at 08:08 AM

LB

“ *These past few months have been so awesome to hang out with Kevin & Lucy at the river straight out from the Skieters jump. My Jack Russell also Lucy better known as Goose as his Lucy was also known as Boots. Hubby & I will forever miss your positive attitude, smile, u trying to find what end of the river I'm swimming at 🤔. Oh & u giving Lucy her run at 30 miles an hour!! So precious. ☐ You are & will be forever missed.*

Laura Brock - October 18, 2025 at 12:27 AM

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“Attention is the first form of love. Attention is the purest form of love.”

Kevin told me that when we were at the intersection of Blaine and Vulcan, on our way back from Jim's music to pick out an acoustic guitar. He said it often. That -the simple act of giving someone your attention- the time of day, a listening ear- was a great expression of love.

We talked to me often about his daughter Sophia- we carefully picked out a Bible together for him to leave to his daughter "Bird"- the black leatherbound Word on Fire edition of the four Gospels is what we decided on. That was really important to him, that it be just the right one.

When you called to leave a message on his phone, you first had to listen to him perfectly execute Brian May's guitar solo from Bohemian Rhapsody in its entirety. No words. No words needed. Because who else could pull that off!?

He got involved with one of our choirs here, and was able to play a few times with his uncle John Richtig, and Bill Morrison. His playing was always so crisp and polished.

At every Mass, at a certain point- we always pray that we can join in singing with the angels and saints in their unending hymn of praise (the prophet Ezekiel tells us they sing forever): "Holy, holy, holy"- that here on earth, at the Mass- we are not only practicing for heaven, but taking part in the same act of worship alongside those in heaven.

That is our prayer for Kevin today, we pray for the repose of his soul, and that the Lord would give him his place in the heavenly choir.

In the end he died a holy death- after I have him last rights at his parent's condo the first time I visited- I spoke with Jeannine and Theresa, and when I walked back past his room he was looking up and beaming- joyful. Over the course of the last few years,
-over a thai-chicken pizza at spud's
-by the fountain in the courtyard here between our houses
-or after a guitar lesson at his house,
we had many deep and long conversations about life and death,

about Catholicism and eternity and theology.

(If any of you are far from the faith or a relationship with God- I hope his journey these last few years causes you to consider- what is it that he saw HERE? This great lover of beauty and truth?)

He spent his last few years- not dying, but living. Very intensely, always a dreamer.

One of the most practical developments in the world to the spread of the Gospel was the Roman network of roads- it allowed for the first postal workers to carry the Gospel and the letters of St. Paul to cities like Corinth, Ephesus, Rome, the region of Galatia, Phillipi, ancient Philadelphia, and all the others. It's fitting that, as I was leaving his room in the ER a couple of Saturdays ago- Kevin said to me in parting, "Go do your thing, spread the word."

Rest in peace Kevin. We love you, and will miss you so much.

Your friend,

-Fr. Mike Chenier

Fr. Mike Chenier (myself) - October 16, 2025 at 10:25 AM

ER

“ *I am very sorry for your loss. I am praying for Kevin and for you.*
Edie Raffin

Edith K Raffin - October 16, 2025 at 09:10 AM

LD

“ *I knew Kevin very briefly walking my dog Max by Kevin's home . Would see Kevin outside and we would talk. Lucy and max got along great. Did not know Kevin past away until I saw the announcement in the paper. Had many good conversations with Kevin . I will miss him . Wish I would have known him sooner. Great neighbor. God's speed Kevin.*

Lance Ditty - October 15, 2025 at 10:50 PM

JP

“ Jay E Pophal lit a candle in memory of Kevin G. Richtig



jay e pophal - October 15, 2025 at 03:24 PM



“ My deepest and heartfelt condolences to Kevin's family 🙏 He was my 91 year old mother's mailman! He was so kind and caring to her! She is so sad and sends her love and condolences. I met him several times on my annual visits to Norway Mich. as I live in Texas. Such a kind and friendly man. My mom called him "Mr. Sunshine" and always made her laugh. 🙏❤️🙏

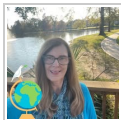
Sue Moraska - October 14, 2025 at 10:55 PM



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Sue Moraska - October 14, 2025 at 10:52 PM

RG

“ Dear Gary, Jeanine, Sofia, Teresa, and Family,
We are so very sorry to hear about Kevin! We are out of town, so
won't see you in person, but please know we are thinking about you
all with caring and prayers. Our most sincere sympathy to you all,

Rod and Cynthia (Corsi) Gordon - October 14, 2025 at 09:37 AM

CF

“ Chris, Audrey & the Colavecchi Family
purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the
family of Kevin G. Richtig.



Chris, Audrey & the Colavecchi Family - October 12, 2025 at
07:40 PM

RD

“ I remember visiting with my Grandma, Pauline, a little arter Kevin
was born. You trusted me to hold him. He was a gift then, and
remained a gift to all who knew and loved him.
He fought faith filled fight. I'm sure he was welcomed home with the
words, " Well done, thou good and faithful servant."
My heart hurts at our loss of Kevin here, but rejoices for him. 💖

Robelle Degenaer - October 12, 2025 at 04:49 PM