



## Kleo W. Hanson

April 18, 1929 - January 18, 2015

Kleo W. Hanson, 85, of Kingsford, passed away on Sunday, January 18, 2015 at his home.

He was born April 18, 1929 in Kingsford, MI, son of the late Adolph and Minnie (Mullikin) Hanson. He attended school in Kingsford and was a proud Flivver supporter. He was a lifelong resident of the area. Kleo started his working life at the Summit Dairy in Kingsford, where he met the love of his life, Yvonne Carl. Kleo and Yvonne were married on September 28, 1957 at American Martyrs Church in Kingsford. He was employed as a warehouse clerk and truck driver for Standard Service & Supply for 38 years, retiring in 1991. Kleo was an active member of First Covenant Church in Iron Mountain. Outside of work, Kleo was a family man. His children fondly remember the many camping trips, outdoor picnics and family vacations. As his children grew and had children of their own, Kleo could often be found attending one of his grandchildren's events. He rarely missed a youth sporting event, concert, or award ceremony. He loved birthday parties and his voice singing "Happy Birthday" will be sadly missed.

If you told Kleo your name, he remembered it forever. Kleo seemed to know everyone in the area, and warmly greeted them, by name. If you didn't know Kleo, he probably knew who you were because he knew your father, mother, brother or some relative.

Outside of family, Kleo loved his model trains and clocks. He collected both

and was proud of his train setup that had taken over the family basement. Outside of polka music, he loved nothing more than the sound of a cuckoo clock or grandfather clock and had several in each room.

Kleo's friendly greetings, affectionate smile, humor, and desire to help others will be fondly missed by his family, his winter friends in Lake Havasu, AZ, his summer friends at the campground, and everyone who knew him. The world has lost one of the truly good guys.

Kleo is survived by his wife of 57 years, Yvonne; five children, Christine Paoletti of Green Bay, Jeff (Lynn) Hanson of Hartford, WI, Melanie (Chris) Maki of Quinnesec, Tim (Diane) Hanson of Madison, WI and Terry (Margaret) Hanson of Iron Mountain; grandchildren, Angela (Geoff) Freeman, Valri Hanson, Dr. Brandon (Alyssa) Maki, Alison (Scott) PaolettiKromer, Stefni Hanson, Korey (Amy) Maki, Jaymin Hanson, Andy Rahm, Elina Maki, Christian Gemignani, Kianna Hanson, Chase Hanson, Katarina Hanson, Brialle Hanson, Natania Hanson and Cailee Hanson; step-grandchildren, Adam and Ashley Nelson; great granddaughters, Halle Kate Maki and Cecilia Freeman; several sister and brother-in-laws and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a son-in-law, Michael Paoletti; two brothers, Gerald and Clair; and four sisters, Lorena, Crystal, Maxine and Yvonne.

Visitation will be held on Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the First Covenant Church in Iron Mountain. Funeral services will follow at 12:00 noon at the church. Rev. Peter Erickson and Pastor Larry Neargarth will officiate. Burial will be in the Quinnesec Cemetery.

Kleo's grandsons will serve as pallbearers.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Kleo Hanson online at [www.enashfuneralhomes.com](http://www.enashfuneralhomes.com) .

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

# Cemetery Details

## Quinnesec Cemetery

Menominee Street  
Quinnesec, MI 49876

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 22. 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

First Covenant Church  
125 East H Street  
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

## Funeral Service

JAN 22. 12:00 PM (CT)

First Covenant Church  
125 East H Street  
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Very nice and good man.....God Bless him.....Steve Hudson*

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**Steve Hudson** - January 27, 2015 at 05:56 PM

SR

“ *My sympathy to your family. I knew Kleo from the time I was a child, and will always remember his calm demeanor. It seemed that nothing could really rattle him, or upset his cheerful, kind ways. He was such a truly "nice" human being! I am sure that your family will take comfort in all of the wonderful memories you have of this very special man. I felt fortunate to have known him.*

*Susan Scott Reiten*

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**Susan Scott Reiten** - January 25, 2015 at 07:32 AM

CC

“ *Yvonne and Family,  
We send our deepest sympathy to all of you. Kleo was a sweet man, and we remember his wonderful smile. We never saw him without seeing him smiling. He will be missed by all who knew him. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this sad time.  
Sincerely, Carol & David Christesen*

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**Carol &David Christesen** - January 21, 2015 at 08:44 PM

DP

“ Yvonne, we are so sorry to hear of Kleo's passing. We enjoyed our talks with him/ He was always so pleasant. We just talked to you both a couple of weeks ago. Our prayers go out to you and your family.

God Bless,  
Don & Virgie Pirlot

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**Don Pirlot** - January 21, 2015 at 07:19 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Kleo W. Hanson.



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January 21, 2015 at 06:49 PM

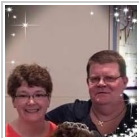
TS

“ The Somermeyers purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Kleo W. Hanson.



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**The Somermeyers** - January 21, 2015 at 04:36 PM



“ Sorry to hear about Kleo's passing. We will miss him so much and his cambells soup he so much loved to eat. Love all the Harper family.



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**Johanna Harper Sirovy** - January 21, 2015 at 01:53 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Kleo W. Hanson.*



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January 21, 2015 at 10:07 AM



“ *Fall Fantasia was purchased for the family of Kleo W. Hanson.*



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January 21, 2015 at 09:04 AM



“ *Dear Yvonne- Andrea called me earlier to tell me about Kleos passing. I always got a kick out of him all the years I knew him, and he will be sadly missed by all. It was a real pleasure to have know him. Prayers to you and all the kids-Jerry Murray.*

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**Jerry Murray** - January 20, 2015 at 09:24 PM



“ *He always had a bright and welcoming smile and a friendly "hello" every time I've ever seen him. Quick visits at McDonalds on occasions to catch up on all of the family. Mr. Hanson was one of the most gentle and kind man I have ever known. He left a beautiful family that can be proud of him and the way he lived his life. May he be at peace with our Heavenly Father.*

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**mary balcer** - January 20, 2015 at 06:00 PM