



Melvin D. Couillard, Sr.

November 13, 1948 - December 11, 2021

Melvin D. Couillard, Sr., 73, of Iron Mountain, passed away Saturday, December 11, 2021, surrounded by his family at his home.

He was born November 13, 1948, in Escanaba, the son of the late William and Melvina (Pratt) Couillard. He enjoyed playing cribbage and recently got a 29 hand.

He is survived by two sons, Melvin, Jr. and Mark (Lori Kollmann), both of Iron Mountain; eight grandchildren, Matthew, Logan and Cassidy Couillard, Kayla, Nicole and Sarah Couillard, Justin (Bethany) Gerber and Stephanie (Brian) Edmundson; several great-grandchildren; many nieces, nephews and friends, including special friends at Holiday Kitchen and Wendy from UPCAP.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a son, Matthew, and two sisters.

Visitation will be held from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm on Saturday, December 18 at the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home in Iron Mountain. Memorial services will follow at 3:00 pm at the funeral home. Kevin Sullivan will officiate. Burial will be in Gardens of Rest Cemetery in Escanaba.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Melvin Couillard online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com

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

Cemetery Details

Gardens of Rest Memorial Park

6556 Highway us 2 & 41
Wells, MI 49894
(906) 786-0021

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 18. 1:00 PM - 3:00 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/>

Memorial Service

DEC 18. 3:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ It was so saddening to hear of the passing of Mel. Mel was such a dear friend to me for so long. He would help me at the group home and always looked out for me. I could always count on him to be there when I needed help. And he always did it with a smile. But, my favorite memory of Mel was when I would go across the street to hear Mel sing on Karaoke nights, That is where he truly shined! Such joy he brought to all those fortunate enough to hear him. I will always cherish those memories, Mel touched many lives and he will truly be missed by myself and my family as well as the many residents he cared for so well. Rest in peace Mel.

Ruth Granger - December 16, 2021 at 07:50 PM

KC

“ Melvin also has 4 siblings remaining. Karen Couillard Carlson of Hudson, Florida, David Couillard of Escanaba, William(Bill) Couillard of Escanaba and Walter Couillard of Chicago, I LL. Melvin Jr. and family and Nark and family, I especially feel sorry for your loss. Melvin (back in the day) loved to play Guitar and sing. Mark and Melvin, although he was my Brother, He was your father and I Pray you are going to be ok. You have my deepest sympathy.

Respectfully yours, Karen

Karen Couillard Carlson - December 16, 2021 at 12:13 AM

WA

“ Mark, Lori, Junior and Family,



I am sorry for the Loss of your Dad. He was an amazing man, a friend for sure. Lived arguing with him playing cribbage and his evil laugh when he skunked me which was often. He sure looked forward to the outings usually grocery store. I respected Mel as he did for me. All our talks and all things we did I forever will miss him. He will hold a special place in my heart. Friends come and go but true friendship you carry with you, and that was your Dad. I was his caregiver which turned into a wonderful friendship.

Please know my love, thoughts and prayers are with you all and may God shine his grace on you during this sad time.

Mel-

Thank you for being my friend. You are a very special part of my life that had to end, but you forever have a place in my heart. Thank you for being there when life got crazy. I miss you, and our cribbage dates but always know that everytime I play, I promise I listened to everything you taught me. Fly high and know that you will forever live in the heart of those closest to you that you left behind.

May you find a cribbage game in heaven and get another 29 hand.

Love and friendship

Wendy Abramson

Wendy Abramson - December 14, 2021 at 10:12 PM