



Melvin Martin

August 5, 1937 - August 5, 2011

Melvin James Martin, 74, of Quinnesec, died Friday, August 5, 2011 at the Oscar G. Johnson Veterans Administration CLC in Iron Mountain. He was born on August 24, 1936 in Iron Mountain, the son of the late Melvin G. and Elva J. (Cassell) Martin.

Melvin married Dorothy Marie Matchett at the Immaculate Conception Church in Iron Mountain on December 27, 1958.

From 1955-1959, Melvin proudly served in the United States Coast Guard, stationed in Portland, Maine as an engineman aboard the Coast Guard Cutter Cook Inlet. After his service he worked as an auto mechanic most of his life. Melvin owned and operated Mel's Foreign Car Service in Iron Mountain for many years before his retirement. After his retirement, he enjoyed feeding and watching birds, gardening, and spoiling his cat, Patches.

Melvin is survived by his wife Dorothy; two sons Donald (Kelly) Martin of Quinnesec and Dennis (Anna) Martin of Merriman, one daughter Carrie (Jed) Holcomb of Neenah, WI, seven grandchildren Scott Hughes, Amber, Bradley, Jackie, and Darin Martin, and Ashley and Lindsey Martin; two great grandchildren Alexcis and Olivia; one brother, Charles Martin of Traverse City, MI, one sister Bonnie Grady of Pahrump, NV as well as a great many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his brother, John Martin, and his twin brother Merlin Martin.

Visitation will be Tues. from 4-6 pm at Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home. Funeral services will be Tues. at 6pm at the funeral home. Rev. Robert Mueller will officiate. Burial will be in the Quinnesec Cemetery.

We will all miss the comfort of his presence.

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

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

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 9. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

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

Funeral Service

AUG 9. 6:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Our thoughts and prayers go out to all of you. I know Uncle Mel will be looking over all of us. We love you!*

The Brasure Family - Niece - August 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ *Dot and family,
We are here if you ever need anything and will be more than happy to do anything for any of you. You are always so kind and thoughtful to us.*

Just a phone call away too.

May God be with you all at this time and always. Mel was a wonderful husband and father and friend to all. He will definately be missed by alot of family and friends. He is at peace now and no more pain and suffering like he did. God Bless and keep you.

Louie and Rubie - Greenfield , WI - cousin - August 08, 2011 at 12:00 AM

GF

“ *my thoughts and prayers are with you Dot and the rest of the family. if there is anything i can do to lend a hand, just let me know.*

Geri Gardiepy

geri gardiepy - friend - August 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ I could write a book here on what Mel has meant to me during my whole life since I've known him for all of my 39 years. All I can say is there is one of a handful of people in my life who I could never say a bad thing about and one of them is Mel. I have nothing but love and respect for this man who was like blood to me. I can't make it to the funeral because I'm not allowed to take leave but I am grieving over here. It's the first family member I've lost in over 20 years. I know Mel is in a better place with Patches and he's looking down at all of us and smiling. He's our protector now.

Dylan Bolander - Syracuse, NY - Neighbor - August 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM