



Michael Turrie

August 27, 1942 - August 27, 2011

Michael Turrie, 69, of White Birch Village in Iron Mountain passed away on Saturday, Aug. 27, 2011.

Mike was born on Jan. 6, 1942, in Iron Mountain, to the late Rudy and Kathleen "Winnie" (Seymour) Turrie. He was raised in Iron Mountain and graduated from Iron Mountain High School in 1960.

He married Arlene Hansen and they resided in Milwaukee where he was an engineer for the Milwaukee Road Railroad. He was later transferred to Chicago and worked for the C&O Railroad. He and his family returned to Iron Mountain in 1973 where he owned the M&J Restaurant for several years and later owned the Wunder Inn Bar with his sister, Margaret in Niagara. He then worked in sales for several years until ultimately retiring from Bob's Homes in 2005.

He enjoyed summer at his home in Iron Mountain and winter at his home in Florida which allowed him to spend time with family and friends while enjoying his beloved golf year-round and riding around in his convertible. He also enjoyed bowling, hunting, boating and fishing. His passions were cooking and politics. He was a great cook and loved doing so especially for his family and friends. He was very knowledgeable of current political affairs and worked for a political legislative research company. He loved working with people and

brought joy and laughter to many with his sense of humor.

He is survived by his fiance, Kerri Steeno, whom he had been with for 15 years; three daughters, Melissa Sleik of Kingsford, April Turrie of Sparks, Nev., and Allison (Joseph) Martini of Winnemucca, Nev.; four grandchildren, Vanessa (Jeff) Mitchell, Erica Sleik, Tony Sleik and Dominic Martini; three sisters, Dorothy (Ray) West of Iron Mountain, Margaret (Donald) Goudreau of Iron Mountain, and Marilyn (Jack) Laydon of Spread Eagle, Wis.; one brother, David (Dawn) Turrie of Iron Mountain; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by one sister, Judy Swanson.

Visitation will be Wednesday from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the American Martyrs Catholic Church in Kingsford.

Funeral services will be Wednesday at 11 a.m. at the church. Fr. Joseph Gouin will offer the Mass of Christian Burial.

Burial will be in the Niagara Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Lymphoma Research Foundation.

Condolences to the family of Michael Turrie may be expressed online at ernashfuneralhomes.com.

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

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **31**. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

American Martyrs Catholic Church
908 W. Sagola Ave.
Kingsford, MI 49802

Funeral Mass

AUG **31**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

VF

“ *Missy.*

i am so sorry for your loss. Your dad was a great guy to work for.

violet bongi - phoenix, AZ - friend - September 18, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CT

“ *Missy & Family,*

I was saddened to read about the death of your Dad...May you find Peace & Comfort With Friends & Family during this Time. Love You & Take Care..xo

Carrie jo Mellinger - Corpus Christi, TX - September 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

PC

“ *To the family of Michael, I was so sorry to hear about your loss, I know that he has been fighting a long battle, but with family near him. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Love, Peggy*

Peggy Connors - August 31, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ *Being a fellow classmate of Mikes I new him when we were small and played alot together. I am so sorry to hear of his passing. My deepest sympathy to the family.*

James Corsi - Mount Prospect, IL - Classmate - August 31, 2011 at 12:00 AM

WF

“ *Missy*
I'm sorry to hear of your loss, you have my regards to you and your family

Ward Mitchell - Kingsford, MI - Friend - August 31, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SA

“ *So sorry for your loss. You have shared his vitality for life in your own life. May his memory guide you through the rest of your life. Our condolences to you.*

Squier & Cami Jones - Alamos, Sn, Mx - Friend to Joseph & Allison - August 30, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ *Kerri, Melissa, April and Alli,*

We are so sorry to hear of your loss, Mike was such a great guy and will be greatly missed by many, our prayers are with your family

Brenda and Mike Treiber - Norway, MI - friend - August 30, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ *I worked for Mike at Bob's Homes for a couple years. Mike was a great salesman and I did learn alot from him, including patience. Thats five days a week side by side in one small office space...and he's the one to get the award? (Picturing Mike laughing, raising a big lit cigar to his mouth)*

I will always cherish the time we had together and feel blessed to have another angel on my side.

Tasha DeBernardi - Norway, MI - Co-worker & Friend - August 30, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ I worked with Mike at Bob's Homes from his first day on the job. He was one of the best salesman that sold Stratford Homes, and he knew that product inside and out. If you were going to buy one you wanted Mike as your salesman because of his knowledge. He was a lot of fun to work with, anyone who knew him would say he was always good for a few laughs. I remember one time him & Jim (salesrep) went out for a few drinks and about 1:00 A.M. he got into his car and pushed a button on his phone and called one of his daughters in NV. Well needless to say they came into the office the next day and were laughing about that!! He will be missed by all who knew & loved him. I am proud to say he was my friend:) Rest In Peace Mike!!

Debbie Floriano

Debbie Floriano - Kingsford, MI - Friend - August 30, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ Dear Turrie Cousins,

My fondest memories of Michael are from my earlier years visiting with my mom and dad (Jack & Anne Seymour). At that time, you lived on the north side in Iron Mountain. We would go to visit on Friday Nights to watch boxing and naturally have a "lunch" which as we all know in the Seymour family meant a table filled with delicious leftovers, lunch meats and sweets :) In later years, the visiting continued in Niagara. Those are some of my best childhood memories. I bragged to all of my friends that my cousin, Michael, looked just like Paul McCartney.

*With Deepest Sympathy,
Michele (Seymour) Reynolds*

Michele Reynolds - Slinger, WI - Cousin - August 30, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AD

“ On my wedding day my father and I danced to the popular father/daughter dance song 'butterfly kisses'. After the wedding events we were traveling in the car with him to Reno from Carson City. While driving through Washoe Valley he was flipping through the radio stations. He stopped when he heard 'butterfly kisses' and said "this is the song we danced to!" I tried to hold back my emotions...this song is a tear jerker. I happened to glance up at the rearview mirror and I realized my dad had tears streaming down his face. This was surprising. It wasn't common to see my dad show much emotion. Needless to say...I can't listen to that song without a box of kleenex close by.

I love you daddy!

Allison Martini - winnemucca, NV - daughter - August 30, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ We are saddened for the loss of Michael. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this most difficult time. May he rest in peace.

Ron & Ruby White (friends of David and Dawn)

Ronald White - Milwaukee, WI - Friend - August 30, 2011 at 12:00 AM