



Oswald "Ozzie" Vispi

May 15, 1915 - February 21, 2014

Oswald "Ozzie" A. Vispi, 98, passed away February 22, 2014 at Dickinson County Memorial Hospital in Iron Mountain, MI. He was the son of the late Enrico and Marie Vispi. Oswald graduated from A.D. Johnson High School in Bessemer, MI. in 1933. He received his Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from Michigan College of Mining and Technology in 1940. He began his career doing bridge design for the State of Michigan in Lansing. He was transferred to Sault Ste. Marie, MI. in 1941 to work on the Soo Locks. In 1943 Oswald entered the United States Army. He served in the Army Corp of Engineers in India, Burma, and China. Upon his return from the Army in June of 1946, he received his Professional Engineer License and began working at the Plymouth Mine in Gogebic County, MI. where he remained for nearly twenty years. In 1960 he married Mildred Doucette and he began working for the Dickinson County Road Commission as Dickinson County Superintendent Engineer. He retired in 1978. In 1961 they welcomed a son, Richard. Oswald was a member of St. Mary Queen of Peace Church in Kingsford.

He is survived by his son, Richard (Tamara) Vispi, granddaughter Sophia, niece, Joann Mindorff; nephew, Mark Vispi..

Oswald was preceded in death by his wife, Mildred; brother, Arnold Vispi; and sister, Alvira Ableman.

Visitation will be from 5-7pm, Tuesday, February 25, 2014 at the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at St. Mary

Queen of Peace Church in Kingsford at 11:00am on Wednesday, February 26, 2014. Fr. Mike Woempner will offer the Mass of Christian burial. Burial will be at Hillcrest Cemetery in the spring.

Condolences to the family of Oswald Vispi may be expressed online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com

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

Cemetery Details

Hill Crest Cemetery

501 E. Cinnebar St.
Bessemer, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **25**. 5:00 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/>

Funeral Mass

FEB **26**. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Mary Queen of Peace Catholic Church
432 Edsel
Kingsford, MI 49802

Tribute Wall

WZ

“ Dear Rick and Family,

Please know that your Dad and Mom were valued as friends and neighbors by the entire Gagnon family when we were growing up. My Mom and Dad thought the world of them as true lifetime friends. Such wonderful people... Take care.

Wendy Gagnon Zambon

Wendy Zambon - February 26, 2014 at 02:15 PM

TV

Thank you so much Wendy.

Tammy & Rick Vispi - March 03, 2014 at 12:00 PM

CH

“ *Rick and Family, May the love & comfort of those around you help you thru the days ahead. Hold tight to your memories for comfort, lean on your friends for strength as we are here, and always remember how much you are cared about. Im sorry for your loss. Lifting you up.*

Christy Rafferty

Christy - February 25, 2014 at 06:08 AM

TA

Thank you so much Christy

Tammy - March 03, 2014 at 12:21 PM

FG

“ Rick, I was so sad to hear of your father's passing. You certainly struggled mightily to do all that was best for him. I know that your many memories will be a comfort to you as you go through this difficult time. Snuggle your wife and your "little one" Sophia close...

My thoughts are with you,

Fran Glass

Fran Glass - February 24, 2014 at 08:51 PM

TA

Thank you for your comforting words Fran.

Tammy - March 03, 2014 at 12:21 PM

TH

“ Rick, I remember the good times we had as friends and especially with Ozzie and Millie. I always felt I had a great friend in Ozzie. I owe him and you for all the things that he and you have done for me. This is a great time of sorrow for me, but I have only great memories. I hope you are well. I know that it was a great thing when he allowed Millie to take care of my dog Tramp for me while I was at the university, because he did not like dogs that much.

I hope all is well with you and your family. I have not seen or heard from you in many years. I live in Princeton, Indiana now since my dad died three years ago. I have a nice home and a good job. I am still singel. I have many new friends from the church that I go to.

Thomas Hale

Thomas Hale - February 24, 2014 at 04:22 PM

TA

Thomas, We are well, We will miss him very much. The time your dog shared with Millie and Rick was very special. Rick talks about it all the time. Please send us your contact info. We would like to be in touch.

Tammy - March 03, 2014 at 12:21 PM



“ *Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Oswald "Ozzie" Vispi.*



February 24, 2014 at 03:30 PM

MK

“ *Rick - I'm thinking of you buddy. Your Dad was a good man. He gave us a lot of guidance when we were kids and I remember that talks in the driveway and the engineering discussions. Ozzie was truly one of a kind. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Marty Kadletz - February 24, 2014 at 02:26 PM

TR

Thank you Marty. It was nice to see you and your family again. We so appreciate your being there.

Tammy & Rick - March 03, 2014 at 12:23 PM

AO

“ Rick and family . .so sorry to hear of the loss of your dear father. I worked with him on his insurance plans, both medicare and prescription drug and he was a wonderful and kind hearted soul. Thinking of you all and keeping you in my prayers! Rest in peace Ozzie.

Amy Orn

Amy Orn - February 24, 2014 at 11:35 AM

TR

Amy thank you for all you've done for Ozzie. We appreciate you very much.

Tammy and Rick - March 03, 2014 at 12:25 PM

KK

“ Rick and Family,

I am so sorry to hear your Father passed away so suddenly. From what you have told me and reading about you Father, he was a very respected, intelligent and loving man who lived a very full life. So glad he also had a chance to meet his beautiful Granddaughter. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Karin Kounelis

Karin Kounelis - February 24, 2014 at 10:44 AM

TR

Thank you Karin for your kind words and the floral arrangement. We are very grateful for your gift.

Tammy and Rick - March 03, 2014 at 12:29 PM

CL

“ I never met Ozzy but from knowing Rick and hearing him talk about his Dad I know he was a man to be admired.

Cathy Lilly - February 24, 2014 at 08:15 AM

MK

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Marty Kadletz - February 24, 2014 at 01:30 PM

TR

=) *Thank you so much Cathy.*

Tammy and Rick - March 03, 2014 at 12:30 PM