



Peter Winden

November 9, 2009

IRON MOUNTAIN - Peter Carl Winden, 55, of Iron Mountain, died Monday Nov. 9, 2009, at the Oscar G. Johnson Medical Center in Iron Mountain after a yearlong battle with leukemia.

He was born Dec. 23, 1953, at Beloit Memorial Hospital in Beloit, Wis., to Carl F. and Frances (Novachek) Winden. Pete attended the Beloit Public Schools and graduated from Beloit Memorial High School in 1972.

He taught guitar at Voight's Music Center and joined his father's band, the Pla-Aires before joining the Air Force in 1974. He specialized in civil engineering and was also a member of the honor guard at McChord AFB in Washington. He was an avid sportsman who enjoyed hunting, fishing and anything else that allowed him to be in the great outdoors.

Pete married the former Marianne Balkum (Paquin) on Jan. 1, 2005, at the VA Medical Center's Chapel here in Iron Mountain.

He is survived by his wife, Marianne; stepson, Tyler Balkum; his mother Frances of Beloit; three daughters, Katherine Ann (Harry) Skokan of Fordland, Mo., Christina Ann Winden of Omaha, Neb., and Rachael Elizabeth Winden of Jacksonville, Fla.; a stepdaughter, Samantha Balkum of Iron Mountain; four brothers, Marlin (Paula), Jon (Lori), Eric (Jane) and Mark (Faun), all in the

Beloit area, and eight granddaughters, Alissa, Jessica, Hailey, Faith Ann, Dusty, Kayla, Olivia and Emily; three aunts; two uncles; and many cousins also survive him, especially Marlene Hart of Oklahoma City, Okla., several nieces and nephews, and longtime friend, Bill W.

Pete was preceded in death by his father; infant sister; his grandparents; and godparents.

A military service will be held on Sunday Nov. 22, at 12 noon at the U.P. Veteran's Memorial at Pine Mountain in Iron Mountain.

Immediately following the service, a memorial potluck will be held at the home of Todd and Jeane Johnson, W4080 U.S. 2 in Vulcan.

All friends and family are welcome to attend.

The Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home in Iron Mountain assisted the family with the funeral arrangements

Tribute Wall

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“ *Maryann & Tyler:
Thinking of you as always. You always have friends at the VA
Hospital in Milwaukee. Pete's zest for life will be missed.*

Jodi Klemm - November 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Stay in there and don't let it fool ya eh!*

Gary Navarre - November 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM