



Randy Robert Weinfurter

August 12, 1956 - August 12, 2011

Randy Robert Weinfurter, 55, of Aurora, passed away on Friday, Aug. 12, 2011, at St. Joseph's Hospital in Marshfield, Wis.

Randy was born on Aug. 22, 1955, in Iron Mountain to Edwin and Donna Weinfurter. He has been a lifelong resident of Aurora and graduated from Florence High School in 1973.

He married the former Michelle "Mickie" Stachowicz on April 22, 1978, in Niagara, Wis. Randy worked at Grede Foundry for 13 years and for the past eight years has operated the Bait Station in Aurora.

Randy always thought of his family first. He was an avid sportsman and lived for hunting, fishing, and his daily rides on Fisher Lake Road. Next to his family, his greatest enjoyment was spending time at camp. Randy will be remembered for his outgoing personality, his ability to make people laugh, and his willingness to lend a hand.

Randy is survived by his wife, Mickie; his children, Tech Sgt. Dan (Shara) Weinfurter of Travis Air Force Base, Calif. and Kaitlin (Hans) Waugen of Niagara; his parents, Ed and Donna Weinfurter of Aurora; brother, Terry (Lori) Weinfurter of Aurora and sister, Jody (Dave) Bigalke of Niagara. He was known as "Papa Bear" to his grandchildren, Hannah, Morgan, Hailee, and

Annabelle. He was very anxious for his first grandson, Daniel, to be born next month. He also leaves his mother-in-law, Betty Stachowicz of Niagara and sister-in-law, Lisa (Larry) Friedman of Palm Harbor, Fla.; and many aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews, cousins and close friends of all ages.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents and father-in-law, Roman Stachowicz.

Visitation will be Saturday from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home of Iron Mountain.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Randy Weinfurter online at ernashfuneralhomes.com

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

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **20**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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

Memorial Service

AUG **20**. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

MG

“ i will miss him very much i knew how much he loved his camp and how he pretty much lived out there. When i go to the camp i love to go where he spread his ashes and sit there and think about him. It is very hard for me to think that he is gone i always think that this is just a dream and that he will come back someday but then i relize that hes not he will never come back but he will always be with me even if hes not directly with me. I LOVE YOU PAPA BEAR!!!!

Morgan - niagara, WI - my grandpa - May 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ What a wonderfully bitter sweet celebration you had for Randy on Saturday. It was so obvious by the hundreds of people attending the funeral that Randy was a friend to all. I am so happy to have known him. Mickie, Dan and Katie....what a tremendous job you all did honoring him.

Lisa Friedman - FL - August 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ Since moving to Aurora in 2006, I have had opportunities to have many hunting, fishing conversations with Randy over the years. I did not know him like many of you but it was clear to me his love for the woods, water, camp life and family. I incredibly admired the commitment Randy had to run the bait shop like he did and I always looked forward to talking with him. Randy was a patriot to the outdoorsman and woman of our area and he will be missed and remembered.

Bill Cook II - aurora, WI - August 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM

VC

“ Randy always had a smile for you, and he always made me laugh. I remember planning a class reunion, all that showed up for the planning meeting was Randy and Chase,, we had a fun time and lots of laughs...
I'm very sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Venisa Leslie - Aurora, WI - Friend, classmate - August 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ Mickie, Dan and Katy - My heart goes out to all of you during this time.

I will always remember Randy for his humor, no matter the situation. From fighting mechanical maintenance trauma at the Foundry, to the boat filling with water because he didn't turn the bilge pump on, Randy met life head on with a sense of humor and a smile.

Randy leaves a legacy behind. A Legacy that was simple. He cared about people. If someone needed help, Randy would find that help, or help them himself. Not many people cared about others the way Randy did. A smile, a laugh, sometimes a humorous shot about the situation, but he would help.

Being selfish, I'm gonna miss him greatly. He made me laugh until I cried, he leaves memories of fishing trips and stories from camp that will be re-told around the woodstove for years to come.

*Randy Sir, may the fish always bite, the bucks always rut and remember: "Shoot Straight - Shoot Often and May God be with You"
The Boyz from Kamp Broken Arrow*

Lionel Lauren - Vulcan, MI - Friend/Co-worker - August 19, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ He is a person that will be missed deeply by all that have known him. He had a way of making people laugh. Our condolences go out to his family, he will not be forgotten. God Bless.

The (Tim) McCarthy Family - Aurora, WI - Friend - August 19, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ We will dearly miss our partner in bait. Our heartfelt condolences to all the family and friends. He will be missed!

Allan and Patti Teske - Florence, WI - friend - August 18, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ Dear Micki and Family, You don't know me. I grew up in Loretto, with your Mom and Aunt Rosalie. I remember when you were born, and I think I attended your wedding. I am so sorry to hear about your husband, he was much too young. I will remember all of you in my prayers. Say hi to your Mom and Aunt Rosalie tell them Lucille say Hi. God Bless all your family Lucy Krajna

Lucy Krajna (Geline) - Milwaukee, WI - Friend - August 18, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ Our sincere sympathy at your time of loss.

larry mary beth canavera - Kingsford , MI - friend of family - August 18, 2011 at 12:00 AM

HW

“ I LOVE YOUR PICTURE & THAT TWINKLE IN YOUR EYE!! YOU SURE WERE SOMETHING ELSE! THANK YOU FOR THE LAUGHS & THE SMILES! WE WILL BE HERE FOR MICKIE & THE KIDS~~ ALL OF OUR PRAYERS FOR STRENGTH & COMFORT! FOR YOUR FAMILY. YOU WILL BE MISSED RAND. HEAVEN OR EARTH WILL NEVER BE THE SAME! THANK YOU , LOVE THE BELLS.

HAROLD & DEB BELL & FAMILY - AURORA, WI - August 17, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ Weinfurter family...
So sorry for your loss. Randy was such a wonderful father, uncle and husband. Always had a special smile and a quick passing wave. He will be dearly missed by all.
My condolences.

jenni lindstrom - Aurora, WI - August 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM