



Raymond L. Belaire

September 13, 1930 - September 7, 2015

Raymond L. Belaire, 84, of Iron Mountain, died Monday, September 7, 2015 at Bellin Hospital in Green Bay.

Ray was born September 13, 1930 in Quinnesec, MI, son of the late Raymond and Pearl (Carl) Belaire. He was a lifelong resident of the area and a veteran of the United States Army. Ray married Nancy Peterson on April 16, 1955 at St. Mary & St. Joseph Catholic Church in Iron Mountain. He worked at Ball & Christy Furniture for over 30 years as a salesman, retiring in 2009. Ray was a member of American Martyrs Catholic Church and a past member of the American Legion Post 363. He played an instrumental role in having the Veterans Memorial at Ford Airport built. Ray was always very thankful for everything he had, especially having the opportunity to live out in the country where he could have his horses. He was a talented woodworker and loved building tables and many other things in his woodshop for his family.

Ray is survived by his wife of 60 years, Nancy; a son, Edward (Kathryn) Belaire of DePere, WI; two sisters, Delores Remondini and Marilyn Struebing; eight grandchildren, sixteen great grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a son, Steve Belaire; a daughter, Debra Belaire-Gayan; a brother, Ernest Belaire; and a sister, Rose Carlson.

Visitation will be held on Monday, September 14, 2015 from 9:00 to 10:30 am at the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home in Iron Mountain. A Memorial Mass will be at 11:00am on Monday at American Martyrs Catholic Church in Kingsford. Fr. Joseph Gouin will officiate. Burial will be in the Homestead-Aurora Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial will be established in his memory.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Ray Belaire online at www.er-nashfuneralhomes.com

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

Cemetery Details

Homestead-Aurora Cemetery

1372 Osterberg Parkway
Niagara, WI 54151

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 14. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

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

Memorial Mass

SEP 14. 11:00 AM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall

MO

“ *Our sympathy to you Nancy & to your entire family. We fondly remember you folks when we were neighbors, Ray was a very nice man. Marie & Gary Osterberg.*

Marie Osterberg - September 21, 2015 at 09:27 AM

GD

“ *Dear Nancy and family, Sorry to hear that Ray passed away. You have our sympathy, and all the memories you have will bring you comfort until you are together again. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

*Love , Dick and Gail (Peterson) Dabb
Coconut Creek, Florida*

Gail Dabb - September 10, 2015 at 05:35 PM

HB

“ *AWE~~ GOD BLESS YOU RAY& Nancy... We are so very blessed to know ya' all& to have been able to buy your awesome little country home!!
It was so cool getting to know you& seeing our paths cross over these last 15 years.. Thank you for your service.. It was a privilege serving an The Kingsford American Legion with you!!
I will pray for strength & peace for Nancy..*

Harold& Deb Bell - September 09, 2015 at 11:35 PM

CI

“ *My amazing grandpa. You saved me in so many ways. I don't know how to live without you. You and Ma have always been my light!*



Cissy - September 09, 2015 at 10:55 PM

GS

“ *Nancy and family - sending you our sympathy. Cherish the memories you made together over the years.*

*Grace Peterson Sparapani
Gardnerville, Nevada*

Grace Peterson Sparapani - September 09, 2015 at 10:35 PM

DS

“ *Sorry to hear about Ray's passing. May the good Lord comfort you in your time of sorrow. I have many fond memories of times spent at your cottage on Keyes Lake. Dan Sikora and Family; Gert Sikora.*

Dan Sikora - September 09, 2015 at 12:06 PM