



Richard "Cussy" Rahoi

November 30, 1934 - March 24, 2016

Richard A. "Cussy" Rahoi,

81 of Iron Mountain passed away on March 24, 2016 at Dickinson County Hospital. He was born November 30, 1934 in Iron Mountain, MI. He graduated from Iron Mountain High School. Cussy was a well-known local athlete and ski jumper. His first love was ski jumping and throughout his youth he excelled locally and nationally. He was the first Kiwanis Ski Club jumper to make an Olympic team, competing in the 1956 Olympics in Cortina, Italy and the 1960 Olympics in Squaw Valley, California. Additionally he competed in the 1958 US World Ski Jumping Championship in Lahti, Finland. His love and support of ski jumping continued after his retirement from competition. Cussy was a USA Central Junior Ski Jumping coach from 1969-1976 and Kiwanis Junior Ski Club coordinator. He was inducted in the Upper Peninsula Sports Hall of Fame in 1991 and American Ski Hall of Fame in 2011. He also loved baseball and fast pitch softball which he played for many years. After being a member of two U.P. Softball Championship teams, Cussy after playing ball continued his interest in the sport umpiring Little League, Babe Ruth, American Legion and Wisconsin baseball.

Cussy was a member of Our Saviour's Lutheran Church. A life member of the Iron Mountain Elks Lodge, Sagola Township Sportsman's Club and a member of the Eastern Dickinson County Sportsman's club. He enjoyed golf and was a

member of Oak Crest Golf Club and Pine Grove Country Club where he achieved two Hole in One's in consecutive years. Cussy loved the outdoors, especially hunting and fishing. He was a renowned trout fisherman, he was known as the Legend of the Fence River. Bocce was also a sport that was dear to his heart; he greatly enjoyed playing with his son Allan on Tuesday night league along with participating in numerous tournaments together. He also found time to play poker with his buddies twice a week.

He married the love of his life and partner of 58 years Charlene Wedin, on June 15th 1957. Together they raised their family in Iron Mountain. Cussy worked for the Iron Mountain Fire Department for 30 years and retired as Fire Chief in 1990. Cussy's political side showed when he served as a member of the City Council of Iron Mountain and also held the position of the Dickinson County Drain Commissioner.

Cussy was preceded in death by his parents George and Jean (Manginen) Raho, and his brother Eugene.

He is survived by his loving wife, Charlene; his three children, Allan (Karen) Raho of Upper Pine Creek, Robert (Ann) Raho of Duncansville, PA and Linda (Kevin) Baudhuin of Glenview, IL. In addition, he had a very special place in his heart for his seven grandchildren that he took pride in, Erika, David, Whitney, Patrick, Jack, Jennifer and Jessica. Other members are his brother-in laws, Robert "Butch" (Beth) Wedin of Kingsford, Jack (Kaye) Wedin of Breitung Twp.; several nieces and nephews including his day to day companion Daisy.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, March 30, 2016 from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm at Our Saviours Lutheran Church in Iron Mountain. The funeral service will follow at 1:00 pm at the church. Rev. Robert Gordon will officiate. Burial will be in Iron Mountain Cemetery Park.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in his memory to Our Saviours

Lutheran Church.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Richard "Cussy" Rahoi online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com<

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

Cemetery Details

Cemetery Park

Cedar Ave
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 30. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church
1210 S. Kimberly Ave.
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

Funeral Service

MAR 30. 1:00 PM (CT)

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church
1210 S. Kimberly Ave.
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

Tribute Wall

WC

“ . . Dick was a welcomed and supportive friend and mentor for me in my early years of coming to his town to ski The Mountain, late 50's-60's' my first 90M. . helped get my wide-eyed butterflies under control. . what a good guy!! . . RIP Cuss!!

Walt Cherry - April 23, 2016 at 10:15 AM

MI

“ Sorry for your loss. Cussy was a great guy and will be missed.

Mike Konopacke

Mike - March 30, 2016 at 10:40 AM

YC

“ Your Friends at Rebuilding Together North Suburban Chicago purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Richard "Cussy" Raho.



Your Friends at Rebuilding Together North Suburban Chicago - March 29, 2016 at 02:06 PM



“ 17 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Erickson-Rochon-Nash Funeral Home - March 29, 2016 at 01:15 PM

MF

“ *To the Rahoï family:*

Please accept my condolences for the passing of "Cussy". I have many great memories of him while growing up in Iron Mountain as well as his hunting camp in Marquette County. He was a great guy with many entertaining stories.

Mike Fleury

mike fleury - March 29, 2016 at 11:53 AM



“ 85 files added to the album Life Tributes



Erickson-Rochon-Nash Funeral Home - March 29, 2016 at 10:06 AM



“ My condolences to the Rahoï family. I will miss him very much.

Jason Julian - March 29, 2016 at 09:15 AM



“ 1 file added to the album Life Tributes



Erickson-Rochon-Nash Funeral Home - March 29, 2016 at 08:59 AM



“ The Buzzell Family purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Richard "Cussy" Rahoï.



The Buzzell Family - March 28, 2016 at 07:15 PM

TF

“ *The MacRitchie Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Richard "Cussy" Raho.*



The MacRitchie Family - March 28, 2016 at 06:14 PM



“ *Love's Tapestry was purchased for the family of Richard "Cussy" Raho.*



March 28, 2016 at 01:22 PM

CP

“ *Heartfelt condolences to Mrs. Charlene Raho, their children, and grandchildren during this time of great loss. Richard was always described as loving, devotional and deeply proud of his family... to me by his son Robert in the many reflections and anecdotes over my time working with him the past several years. May your family find peace in the knowledge that he has his reward and has no more worries. God Bless you in the days to come and may God bring his helping hand to your needs and those of your entire family.*
Sincerely,
Mr. and Mrs. Curt Piper and Family

cpiper@appvion.com - March 28, 2016 at 11:06 AM

TM

“ *The CI Team at Spring Mill purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Richard "Cussy" Rahoi.*



The CI Team at Spring Mill - March 28, 2016 at 07:27 AM

JR

“ *My deepest sympathy to Chalene and family. Cussy was a great part of my life growing up in Iron Mountain and I know him and my Dad "Apple" are having a cold one and talking brookies' at that camp in heaven. He was good guy and will be missed.*

Jimmy Rahoi (Son of Jack "Apple" and June)

Jimmy Rahoi - March 28, 2016 at 07:25 AM

BA

“ *My deepest condolences to the entire Rahoi family. I grew up with Allan, Bob and Linda across the street from us on W Fleshiem St and have many fond memories of the entire family.*

May you find strength in faith, family and friends in your loss...

Bruce Aho - March 27, 2016 at 10:28 PM

PD

“ *So Sorry for your loss, Mr Richard Rahoi was a good man. I grew up at 913 Wells Street.*

Pam Parsons Frank and Pat Parsons Daughter).

Pam Dupuis - March 27, 2016 at 07:53 PM