



Robert Larson

January 30, 1922 - January 30, 2007

Iron Mountain - Robert W. Larson, 85, of White Birch Village, died Tues. Jan. 30, 2007 at ManorCare Health Services. He was born on March 13, 1921 in Iron River, the son of the late C. Victor and Mayme (Soderquist) Larson.

Robert served in the U.S. Army from 1941-1945. He was a sergeant and received a Purple Heart. Bob was on a transport ship that was bombed in the Pacific. He survived, floating in the ocean for three days surrounded by sharks while holding on to his wounded buddy.

As a youth, Bob was a caddy at Pine Grove Country Club. He was a letter carrier for the U.S. Postal Service for many years, retiring in 1977. He also worked for Izzo's, installing awnings and railings. Bob enjoyed working and worked hard to afford anything and everything for his children. Bob also took pleasure in spending time at his camp and taking his family camping. Together they traveled to forty-six states. He will be fondly remembered for kidding people.

Bob was an active member of First Covenant Church. He was a former trustee at the church and was active in the upkeep of the building. He was fundamental in the plans for the gym addition to the church.

He married June Hansen in Iron Mountain on Aug. 24, 1947. The couple

enjoyed over 59 years of marriage.

He is survived by his wife, June, his sons Butch (Jean) Larson of Reese, MI, Kurt (Sherri) Larson of Spread Eagle, Calvin (Cathy) Larson of Iron Mountain, and Bill (Wendy) Larson of Iron Mountain, his daughter Bobbie Ann (Peter) Flaminio of Iron Mountain, his brother Paul (Ruth) Larson of Iron Mountain, 13 grandchildren April, Scott, Brian, Brent, Thad, Erik, Cody, and Conor Larson, Andy, Tony, and Alec "Weeg" Flaminio, Christine Heitung, and Erin Pease, and 7 great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two brothers Marvin "Merp" and John "Jack" Larson.

Visitation will be Sat. from 10am-12:30pm at Tondin-Ross and Freeman Funeral Home. Funeral services will be Sat. at 1pm at First Covenant Church. Rev. Peter Erickson will officiate. Burial will be in the Quinnesec Cemetery.

Bob's grandsons will serve as pallbearers.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Robert W. Larson online at www.tondinfuneralhome.com

The Tondin-Ross and Freeman Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements.

Tribute Wall

PT

“ Dear June, Butch, Kurt, Cal and Bill and the extended family,

I'm very sorry to hear of your loss. Bob was simply a great guy. I feel that I partly grew up with him, from living next to his parents, through Boy Scouts and working briefly at the Post Office. He'll be missed by many.

You should always be proud of his accomplishments.

Take care, Peter

Peter Trembath - April 12, 2007 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ Dear June & family, we are very sorry to hear of you loss. Eventhough it has been meany years since I have been to Moon Lake, I know his precence will be missed by many. With deepest sympathy, Dan, Katherine, Frazier, Madeline, Sebastian, and Beatrix

Dan Weih - February 06, 2007 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ Dear June and Family, My Mom, Clara Mae, and I extend our sympathy to you and your family on the passing of Bob. I remember him so much when I was a kid (just a few years ago, ha, ha). It's been so long since we've seen any of you, but I just wanted to let all of you know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. Love Clara Mae Wheeler and Sally Jo Wheeler Bailey

Sally Jo Wheeler Bailey - February 05, 2007 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ Dear June and family, I will rememeber all the good times shared at Moon Lake. It was always a joy of mine to see Uncle Bob and get a weekly punch...love tap...on the arm!! He always reminded me so much of my grandpa Jack. Both will be treasured forever.
God's Blessings
Charis Larson

Charis Larson - February 04, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ Dear June & family, Please accept our deepest condolences. We will miss Bob very much. All of our memories are good ones. Love,
Lindis and John & Jean

John & Jean Diebold and Lindis Diebold - February 01, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ Dear Mrs. Larson and family,
We are so sorry to hear of Mr. Larson's death. Praise God for our common hope that in the last day we shall all be reunited. I know this time is hard, I will pray that the Lord Jesus will grant you His peace through these difficult days.

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation ready to be revealed in the last time." and then, "Therefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and rest your hope fully upon the grace that is to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ;" 1 Peter 1:3-5, 13.

Thank God our hope is in Him, and not anything depending on us. May the time you spend with friends and family be a blessing and encouragement to you all.

*Sincerely,
Mark and Tammy Forgette*

Mark and Tammy Forgette - January 31, 2007 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ Dear June and family...it is with sadness that I send this message to you... Bob was a great guy to know all these years...I understand Dolly is flying in on Friday...Wish Bruce and I could be there to express out sympathies in person also...But want you to know that our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time...Sincerely...Lois and Bruce

Bruce and Lois Ring - January 31, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ *To the Robert Larson family:*

The Reese United Methodist Church of Reese, Michigan expresses their deepest sympathy to your family. Our prayers are with you during your time of loss. May God's blessings be with each of you as you remember your husband, father, brother, and grandfather.

The congregation of the Reese United Methodist church

Margaret Fleischmann - January 31, 2007 at 12:00 AM