



Robert D. Markell

October 4, 1934 - February 20, 2022

Robert D. Markell, 87, of Iron Mountain peacefully passed away on Sunday, February 20, 2022, at the Iron County Medical Care Facility in Crystal Falls.

Bob was born in Marquette, MI, on October 4, 1934, the son of Gail and Fern (Wyland) Markell. After graduating from Iron Mountain High School in 1953, Bob served his country in the U.S. Air Force from Feb. 2, 1954 until his honorable discharge on Oct. 4, 1957. He then spent the next seven years working as a roofer for his brother Mark in California and attending Northern Michigan University where he served as the president of the Young Republicans and earned a Bachelor's Degree in Business in 1964. After graduation, Bob decided to go into the family business with his father, Gail, brother-in-law, Ward, and good friend, Don Sericati. Collectively the four of them established the largest roofing, HVAC, and sheet metal company in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. On June 19, 1965, he married Ann Elizabeth Klein at St. Mary & St. Joseph Catholic Church in Iron Mountain. They were married for 56 years before her passing in 2021.

After his 50 plus year career in roofing, Bob retired in 2016 as president of the company, and he was highly respected in the roofing industry across the U.P. He was a member of the Jaycees, the Elks Club, U.C.T, Pine Grove Country Club, Apache Wells Country Club, and served on the I.M. City Council. He enjoyed golfing, trips to the casino, traveling and going to camp.

He is survived by his son, Jim (Kristie) Markell of Iron Mountain, MI; a daughter, Bobbi Ann (Jeff) Carroll of West Bloomfield, MI; a sister-in-law, Sandra Markell of Galt, CA; grandchildren, Eddie (Ashley) Sundquist, Nick Markell, Nate Markell, Noah Markell (Laura Jacobson), Cory Marcouiller, Ethan and Mason Carroll; two great-grandchildren, Kailey and Mathew Sundquist; and many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Along with his wife, Ann, Bob was preceded in death by a brother, Leighton Markell; sister and brother-in-law, Lona and Phil Crispigna; sister and brother-in-law, LaVaughn and Ward Alquist; sister-in-law, Laurie Walstrom; and grandson, Matthew Marcouiller.

Visitation will be held on Saturday from 12:00 noon to 1:30 pm at the Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home in Iron Mountain. A Memorial Service will follow at 1:30 pm at the funeral home with Rev. Michael March officiating.

Graveside services will be held at 2:00 pm on Thursday, May 26, 2022, at Cemetery Park in Iron Mountain. Pastor Chad Harrison will officiate. Military honors will be conducted by the Uren-Cooper-Johnson American Legion Post 50.

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

Condolences to the family of Robert D. Markell may be expressed online at www.ernnashfuneralhomes.com

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

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **26**. 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM (CT)

Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home
901 Carpenter Avenue
Iron Mountain, MI 49801
(906) 774-7676
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Memorial Service

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Graveside Service and Military Honors

MAY **26**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Cemetery Park
Cedar Ave
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

Tribute Wall



“ *Scott and Brenda Pancheri*



Scott Pancheri - March 02, 2022 at 07:19 PM

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“ *Jim: So sorry to hear of the loss of your father. I was unable to attend services as I no longer can walk or stand for all but brief periods. My sympathy. Doug Villa*

Dr. Doug Villa - February 25, 2022 at 03:41 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Robert D. Markell.*



February 25, 2022 at 10:18 AM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert D. Markell.*



February 24, 2022 at 08:41 AM