



Serafine Sparapani

October 28, 1922 - October 28, 2004

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IRON MOUNTAIN - Serafine Sparapani, 82, of N4582 Traders Mine Road in Iron Mountain, died Thursday, Oct. 28, 2004, at his home.

He was born Jan. 20, 1922, in Iron Mountain, son of the late John and Maria Anna (Giolitto) Sparapani.

Mr. Sparapani was a lifelong resident of the area. He operated the family farm and a sawmill and he was also a logger.

Serafine was a 4th Degree member of the Knights of Columbus Bishop Baraga Council and a member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. He had also served as the Merriman Farm Union President and on the Breitung Township Board.

Serafine enjoyed hunting, fishing, traveling, and working in his garage. He married Dorothy Scott on Oct. 23, 1943, at Immaculate Conception Church.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy; six children, Ervin (Carol) of Saginaw, lower Michigan, James (Jeanine Finley) of Kingsford, Gayle (Neal) Sparapani-Katz of Chicago, David (Judy) of Appleton, Wis., Sandra (Steve) Kmiec of Shephardsville, Ky. and Peggy (Terry) Ouradnik of Iron Mountain; 17 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by five brothers, Frank, Julius, Ernest, Victor, and Joseph and six sisters, Perine Gilhuber, Ann Graff, Catherine Stadler, Elvera Sparapani, Rose Deldin, and Alice Sparapani.

Visitation will be tonight from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Tondin-Ross & Freeman Funeral Home in Iron Mountain. The Knights of Columbus will recite the rosary tonight at 7 p.m. at the funeral home.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday at 9:30 a.m. at the funeral home and at 10 a.m. at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. Msgr. James Kaszmarek will celebrate the Mass of Christian Burial. Burial will be in the Quinnesec Cemetery.

Serafine's grandchildren will serve as pallbearers.

Condolences to the family of Serafine Sparapani may be expressed online at www.tondinfuneralhome.com.

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

Tribute Wall

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“ To the Sparapani Family: My deepest sympathy goes to all of you at this time. There are no words I can say to make the pain go away or question the reason for taking your loved one Serafine away but that now he will look over all of you. I am so sorry for your loss.
Love, Tammy

Tammy Finendale - November 03, 2004 at 12:00 AM

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