



## Thomas Hosking,

May 22, 1917 - August 8, 2011

Thomas Hosking Jr., 94, of 340 Roseland St. in Kingsford, died Monday, Aug. 8, 2011, at the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Iron Mountain.

He was born May 22, 1917, in Aurora, Wis., son of the late Thomas and Matilda (Cowling) Hosking Sr. Tom was a lifelong resident of the area, graduating from Iron Mountain High School in 1934.

On July 26, 1939, he married Leona P. Floriano. Together they raised three children and enjoyed 72 years of marriage. Tom joined the U.S. Marines Corps in 1943, and served in Okinawa and Iwo Jima in the South Pacific. He was honorably discharged in 1946 and completed his career in the Michigan National Guard in Kingsford, retiring in 1976.

Tom was a lifelong member of Trinity United Methodist Church, a member of the Floriano-Stecker American Legion Post 340 in Hermansville, the Masonic Lodge 388, the Antique Car Club, and the United Commercial Travelers. He had previously served on the Iron Mountain City Council.

He is survived by his wife of 72 years, Leona; three children, DuWayne Hosking of Kingsford, Thomas "Bob" (Carol) Hosking of Norway, and Susan Berlinski of Kingsford; nine grandchildren, Debbie (Jeff) Brown, David Hosking, Jodi (Mark) Olson, Jeff (Rachel) Hosking, Darrell (Nicole) Hosking,

Daniel Hosking, Jennifer (Duane) Frey, Brenda (Ken) Wood, and Michael Berlinski; 20 great- grandchildren; one great-great grandson; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his son-in-law, Andy Berlinski; three brothers, Dick, Bob, and Ed Hosking; and two sisters, Maria Paquin and Ruth Jones.

Friends may call from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Wednesday at Trinity United Methodist Church.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday at the church. Rev. Paul Mallory will officiate.

Burial will be in Cemetery Park.

Condolences to the family of Thomas Hosking, Jr. may be expressed online at [ernashfuneralhomes.com](http://ernashfuneralhomes.com).

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG **10**. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Trinity United Methodist Church  
808 Carpenter Ave.  
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

## Funeral Service

AUG **10**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Dear DuWayne and family, Bob and I send our sincere sympathy on the death of your dad. We remember your pride in his ability to still pull an engine and repair it when we saw you at our 50th class reunion. My parents were 62 when they died, but whatever their age it is a big loss for you and your family.

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**Martha (Nicholls) Schinderle - Portage, MI - highschool friend** - August 09, 2011  
at 12:00 AM

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“ So happy we were able to share wonderful memories recently at my parents 40th anniversary party at our home on July 3rd. Uncle Tom looked great and we were so grateful to have hosted both he & Aunt Leona. Very sorry to the entire Hosking family for your loss, Uncle Tom was a wonderful guy.

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**Michelle (Floriano) Schneider - Spread Eagle, WI - great niece** - August 09, 2011  
at 12:00 AM