



William Veraghen

January 2, 2007

KINGSFORD - William "Jack" Veraghen, 75, of 440 Case St., Kingsford, passed away on Tuesday, Jan. 2, 2007, at Pinecrest Medical Care Facility in Powers after a courageous battle with Alzheimer's followed by a series of complications. His loving wife and children were at his side.

Jack was born on Nov. 19, 1931, in Kingsford, son of the late William Veraghen and Tillie Powell. He lived lived in the area for his entire life.

Jack married the former Marie Voris on March 8, 1952, in Kingsford. He worked for the Markell Co. as a roofer for 37 years, retiring in 1987.

Jack was an avid outdoorsman and enjoyed hunting, fishing, riding his 4-wheeler "wheelie," and spending time at his camp in Felch. He was very involved in his grandchildren's sports and school activities.

Jack was a quiet, honest and hard-working man who enjoyed all of the simple pleasures in life; his garden, his dogs, and watching the birds come to his bird feeders. He will be greatly missed by his wife, children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, fishing buddies and all those who loved him.

He is survived by his wife of 54 years, Marie; a son, Danny (Jean) Veraghen of Green Bay, Wis.; three daughters, Debbie (John) Ellis of Iron Mountain,

Danette (John) Quick of Sagola and Diane Brey (Ken Raska) of Green Bay; a brother, Fred (Cindy) Powell of Iron Mountain; a sister, Vivian "Bebo" Powell of Jonesboro, Ark.; two sisters-in-law, Bessie Simpson of Florence Villa Nursing Home, and Martha Powell of Kingsford; 15 grandchildren, Jamie (Kathi) Ellis, Jeremy Ellis, Kelli (Nick) Vardigan, Staci (Ron) Laakonen, April, Sara, Mikky, Summer and Chad Veraghen, Amy (Jim) Stanchina, Casey and Jenna Faccio, Katie Brey, and Brad and Brianne Hazelwood; a step-grandson, Lincoln Quick; eight great-grandchildren, Hailey and Hanna Ellis, Kayla Laakonen, Damian and Bryce Veraghen, Kamen Cabana, Kali Stanchina, and Kaile Faccio; and several nieces and nephews.

Jack was preceded in death by a grandson, Daniel Lee Veraghen; three brothers, William "Peany," Ellery, and Lloyd "Buck" Powell; three sisters, Agnes Jackson, Evelyn Paquin and Eunice Schinderle and his favorite little dog, Mindy Lou.

Visitation will be held on Friday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home in Iron Mountain.

Funeral services will follow at 1 p.m. at the funeral home. Rev. David Anderson will officiate.

Burial will be in Quinnesec Cemetery.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of William "Jack" Veraghen online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com.

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

Tribute Wall

JR

“ *My thoughts and prayors are with you all. I used to hang out with Dennette in the Bob Mobile Homes Court where they used to live when I was in high school.
God Bless and Take Care!*

Janet Welty Ragen - January 05, 2007 at 12:00 AM

FS

“ *Marie, I'm so sorry to hear about the passing of uncle Jack. I have so many fond memories of uncle Jack taking me fishing when I was a little boy. He will always have a special place in my heart. Take care and please except my condolences at this sad time. Butch*

Fred (Butch) Schinderle - January 04, 2007 at 12:00 AM

AW

“ *Marie, Debbie, & Dennette,
We will miss having you around at work. We were always glad to see you and visit with you. We are sending our sympathy at this time of sorrow. You will remain in our hearts & prayers. We will miss Jack.*

Amy M. & Amy L. - 500 Wing - January 03, 2007 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ *Danette & family sorry to hear about the loss of William. My prayers goes out to you and your family during this hard time.
Ashley*

Ashley - January 03, 2007 at 12:00 AM