



Brian Michael Marquette

December 25, 1958 - December 13, 2023

Brian Michael Marquette, age 64, of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, died on December 13th, 2023, at the EUP Hospice house in Sault Ste. Marie. He fought a courageous battle against aggressive prostate cancer for the last six months. He was born on December 25, 1958, to Joseph and Virginia (Mazurczyk) Marquette, Jr.

Brian grew up in Detroit Michigan and graduated from Cody High School. He attended Eastern Michigan University and graduated with a bachelor's degree in business. Brian joined the United States Air Force and served for six years. He sold computers for a few years before moving to Sault Ste. Marie. He then started his own painting company, painting a variety of buildings, the Iroquois Point lighthouse, Lake Superior State University buildings, and other large and small projects. Brian changed careers in 1999, began working for the State of Michigan as a custody officer. He met Penny while working in the Segregation unit at the prison in 2010. Brian and Penny married on September 14, 2013, at the Rosedale Community Church in Michigan. He retired in 2017 after eighteen years with the State of Michigan.

Brian enjoyed fishing, bird hunting, photography, and woodworking. He was an excellent cook and could improve any recipe! He also enjoyed watching the Detroit Lions football.

Brian is survived by his wife, Penny Rogers; step-daughters, Lindsay St. Louis (Dan Conlin) of Anchorage, Alaska, Alexis (Rodney) White of Sudbury, Ontario; granddaughter, Maevy White; brother, Kenny (Jackie) Marquette of

Westland; sisters, Diane Reid of Waterford, Michigan, Debbie (Larry) Witkowski of Livonia, Darlene(Todd) Friend of Livonia; sisters-in-law, Nancy Swenkowski of Detroit, Jean (Tim) Foley of Cheboygan, Michigan, Nancy Streeter of Sault Ste. Marie, Debbie McCaig of White River, Ontario; brothers-in law, Jim (Donna) Rogers of Sault Ste;. Marie, George (Arlene) Rogers of Brimley; many nieces and nephews. The family would like to give a special thank you to their nephew, Scott Marquette, for helping him in his battle with cancer and his sister, Darlene Friend, for her many meals, housing and assistance.

Brian is preceded in death by his parents, Joseph and Virginia (Mazurczyk) Marquette, Jr; brothers, Gary Marquette, Joseph Marquette and David Marquette; brothers-in-law, Ted Reid and Roy Rogers, Jr.

At his request there will be no service.

His final resting place will be Oaklawn Chapel Gardens of Bruce Township. Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of EUP, 308 W. 12th Avenue, Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan 49783, or a charity of your choice in Brian's name. Family Life Funeral Homes is serving the family. Condolences may be left to the family at www.csmulder.com

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“ I am so sorry for your loss, and my thought and prayers are with all you. I love this family, all my cousins! Brian always had a special spot in my heart ever since I was young. I will never forget the time when Brian came camping with us at Mitchell State Park in Cadillac, the older ones were playing a game of baseball and I was watching as I was sitting on the seesaw (what we called it back then) and the other person on the other end got off suddenly and I fell hard on the sand and my face/mouth hit the metal bar and both my front teeth fell out. Brian came to my rescue and carried me back to our campsite and went back and looked in the sand for my teeth so the tooth fairy would come. I love you Brian!! I know you are in God's hands and with the rest of the family! This is not goodbye but will see you again one day. Love you, your cousin Suzi.

Suzi (Marquette)Palmer - December 27, 2023 at 12:00 AM

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“ Brian, I must admit your lasagna was better (secret ingredient - pepperoni). But when you attempt to "improve" my spaghetti sauce, don't keep asking me what's missing from it!!! You know I'll ask "Did you follow the recipe?"

I thought we were witnessing a miracle by the way you were recovering this summer. And though I asked God "Why?" when the decline began, I can now see the gracious gift He gave: More time... Time you used to touch lives, to be kind, to reminisce, to say what we often take for granted, and to share our faith. This year's Christmas will be especially difficult for us, but for you my dear brother, you'll be celebrating with the One whose birthday you share, Jesus.

Darlene Friend - December 20, 2023 at 12:00 AM

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“ So sorry to hear of Brian's passing. Very kind considerate man.
Prayers for his family and friends 🙏

Victoria L. Manfrin - December 18, 2023 at 12:00 AM