



John William Mackey

June 8, 1921 - January 4, 2010

John William "Bill" Mackey, age 88, of Sault Ste. Marie, MI passed away Monday morning, January 4, 2010 at War Memorial Hospital. He was born on June 8, 1921 in Sault Ste. Marie to the late John and Hilia (Hill) Mackey. John graduated from Sault High School. He served his country in the United States Army Air Corp during WW II as a code and radio specialist. After the war, John worked at the Tannery, then he worked for the Corp of Engineers as a recorder in the Soo Lock's Tower. Later he was a manager for the Federal Employees of Chippewa County Credit Union. John was also a Boy Scout Leader, a member of the Moose Lodge #717, VFW Post # 3676 and a former President of the Twin Soo Amateur Radio Club. John enjoyed collecting coins and stamps. For decades, he has enjoyed working on his computers and amateur radio. John is survived by his wife: Elda (LaFaver) Mackey, whom he married on September 30, 1944 at St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral, three sons: John W. (Mary Kay) Mackey, Jr. of Sault Ste. Marie, MI, Richard (Mari-sol) Mackey of Sault Ste. Marie, MI, and Jeffrey Mackey of Excelsior Springs, MO; a daughter: Diane (Rick) Comley of Haslett, MI; eight grandchildren: Gillian, Jamie, Ricky, Fernando, John, Tommy, Adam and Jeffrey and two great-grandchildren: Katie and Daniel. John is also survived by one sister: Helen Johnsen of Sarasota, FL. John was preceded in death by his parents, grandson: Richie Mackey, and a sister: Vivian Richards. Visitation will be held from 12 Noon until 2:00 PM on Thursday, January 7, 2010 at C.S. Mulder Funeral Home with Pastor Rod Case officiating. Funeral Services will be held

the same day at 2:00 PM at the funeral home. Interment will be held at Pine Grove Cemetery later in the spring. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be left to the Alzheimer's Foundation.

Tribute Wall

JG

“ *A man of few words yet tons of wisdom. I particularly thank Mr. Mackey for having his son Richard who is a life long friend of mine.*

Prayer:

*Ye moon sun and stars and all ye that move in the heavens....
behold the spirit of John Mackey
and make his path smooth so he may reach the brow of his first hill.*

amen

God bless the Mackeys

Jan Gunson - June 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *So very sorry to hear of your loss. Know my "special" thoughts have been with you.*

(Jerry's "Aunt Beulah" passed away the same day.)

Your Dad seemed to be such an "awesome" man and so well thought of. "Love" the memories!

Your family has always been most dear to Jer and me. I continue to hold you dear and "special".

Marty

Marty Coates (Jerry Marshall) - January 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ *My deepest sympathies. Your family remains in my earliest childhood memories.*

Sharon Milligan France - January 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ To Mrs. Mackey & Family,
When the Lord calls our loved one home, he leaves a gift of
memories in exchange.
You are in our thoughts and prayers.
With Sincere Sympathy,
Joe & Ruth Randazzo

Joe & Ruth Randazzo - January 07, 2010 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ Our sincere sympathies to the Mackey family on the death of a
wonderful man. I got to know him well when Jeff's boys were
attending Washington School. He really thought the world of those
boys. I(Lovada) also enjoyed visiting with him at hockey games
when MSU was playing and Dianne would bring him to the games.
He certainly enjoyed that as well. It is hard to lose a parent no
matter the age and you will all be in our thoughts and prayers.

Arlen and Lovada Bell - January 06, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Our sincerest sympathies. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at
this time.

Mark Teeple - Andrew Sibbald - January 06, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LP

“ I AM SO SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT BILL
I HOPE EVERYONE ELSE IS DOING FINE

LEO PAYMENT - January 06, 2010 at 12:00 AM