



Reverend Russell K. Kreml

August 30, 1931 - October 23, 2007

Reverend Russell Keith Kreml went to be with Christ his Savior in the early hours of Tuesday, October 23, 2007. Rev. Kreml was a Christian minister for nearly fifty years. His greatest joy and passion was serving as pastor, counselor, and friend to the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians. He served the Tribe as senior minister at Mackety Memorial Church of the Nazarene in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan since 1991. Previously, he served congregations in Muncie, Indiana; Iron Bridge, Ontario; Coldwater, Michigan; and Breckenridge, Michigan. Rev. Kreml is a graduate of Frankfort Pilgrim College in Frankfort, Indiana and did his graduate work at Marion College, now Indiana Wesleyan University. Russell Kreml was born on August 30, 1931 to Eugene and Vera (Curphy) Kreml in Maywood, Illinois and lived most of his childhood near Los Angeles, California. He was the youngest of three sons; his brothers are Warren, of Boulder, Colorado and Kenneth, of Apple Valley, California. He married his sweetheart, Eloise Wing, on October 18, 1969 in Monroe, Michigan. They had four children. Russell was an avid reader, an accomplished chalk artist, a talented vocalist and a skilled gardener. His life was greatly enriched by his beloved church family and friends. Pastor Kreml is survived by his wife, his children, Marlene (Ted) Webster, of Owosso, Michigan; Mark (Rebecca), of Peebles, Ohio; Christine (Mark) Davis, of Cadillac, Michigan; and Daryl (CariAnne), of Washington, D.C. and ten grandchildren: Allen and Abigail Webster, Karrington, Hanna, Noah, Hope, Benji, and Drew Kreml, Reuben Davis, and Elias Kreml and his brothers. He

was preceded in death by his parents. Visitation will be held from 12:00 noon through the night on Friday, October 26, 2007 at the Mackety Memorial Church of the Nazarene. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, October 27, 2007 at the Church with Dr. Wayne Brown and Reverend Dan Wing co-officiating. Burial services will be held at 2:00 PM on Sunday, October 28, 2007 at the Greenwood Cemetery near Marion, Michigan. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Rev. Russell Kreml Memorial Fund, administered by Mackety Memorial Church of the Nazarene, 2318 Shunk Road, in Sault Ste. Marie.

Tribute Wall

SG

“ *I knew Mark Kreml in High School in Breckenridge. My thoughts and prayers are with the Family.*

Shawna

Shawna Guarascio - December 04, 2007 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ *Marlene:
I just heard this morning about Bro. Kreml's passing. So sorry to hear it, and we will be praying for you and your precious family. Feel free to e-mail me...it's also nice to get back in touch with former classmates.*

*Dan Plemmons
pauldplemmons@yahoo.com*

Dan Plemmons - November 12, 2007 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Marlene,
Just a note to let you know you and your family are prayed for by your classmates.*

David Troxler - November 01, 2007 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Although I couldn't make it home, I have been thinking a lot about Pastor, and his family. I wanted to let you guys know I love you guys and am thinking of you. Pastor has been a huge inspiration in my life, and i'm very happy to have known him. You're in my thoughts and prayers.*

Ashlee Marble - October 29, 2007 at 12:00 AM

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“ Our family wishes to express our sympathy to your family.

Daryl, we are sorry for the loss of your father. What a wonderful day it will be when we are all reunited in heaven with our Heavenly Father.

*Your family will be in our prayers,
Noah & Jennifer(Snow) Earley
and Daughters-Mariah, Carlee&Maddy*

Noah & Jennifer (Snow)Earley - October 29, 2007 at 12:00 AM

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“ *My deepest sympathies are with the whole family, and especially with Daryl whom I knew back in school... How lovely to think and to know that your dad is there waiting for you, however, and that the farewell has not been permanent. What wonderful hope we have in Jesus, for each day here and beyond. God bless you and keep you.*
Anne

Anne Ranta - October 28, 2007 at 12:00 AM

GH

“ *Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to the Kreml family and especially to Marlene. She touched our hearts with testimony of her parent's ministry and her own place of service to God and the Kingdom.*

*Prayerfully,
George V. Harris, Retired Elder*

George V. Harris - October 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. Please know that we are thinking of you.

Love,
Scott, Nikki, Jared, Jeremy, Jace Bindschatel and Judy Bailey.

The Bindschatel Family - October 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

HG

“ Dear Eloise,
You and your family have our deepest sympathy. God has welcomed his servant into to His Kingdom.
We pray that God will be your comfort in the days ahead. God Bless you.
Love
Hank and Alma Gardner

Hank And Alma Zeeryp Gardner - October 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

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“ Rev. Kreml touched many lives. Most of all he allowed us to be moved by his passion for the marginalized; those on the edges. He showed us by his example that Jesus loves everyone no matter where they are in the journey of faith. I am thankful for his life and wonderful legacy. I am most thankful that he is with Jesus and suffers no more.

The Hastings Family - Matt, Keri, Bailee, Emily, Matthew & William Wнду

The Hastings - October 25, 2007 at 12:00 AM