



Richard Noel DeMolen

November 28, 1947 - May 13, 2026

Richard Noel DeMolen, age 78, of Pickford, Michigan, passed away peacefully at his home on May 13, 2026. He was born on November 28, 1947, in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, to Henry and Joan (Wood-Salomon) DeMolen.

Richard graduated from Sault Area High School with the Class of 1967 and later continued his education, earning his Ph.D. in Psychology.

A gifted musician, Richard spent many years playing keyboard and singing in bands, entertaining countless people with his remarkable talent. He also loved fishing and took special pride in crafting his own handmade lures.

Richard retired from the State of North Dakota after living and working in many different states before returning to Michigan to be closer to family.

Richard is survived by his wife of four years, Beverly McBride-DeMolen; sons, Jacques (Sally) DeMolen of Brimley, Michigan, and Grant DeMolen of Sault Ste. Marie; daughters, Mary (Jamie Zeppa) Mignacca and Lorie (Brian) Bellini, both of Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario; grandchildren, Jade DeMolen, Alyssa DeMolen, Jacob DeMolen, Justin DeMolen, Joel DeMolen, Taylor (Mick) Fartoretto, and Steven Bellini; and great-grandchildren, Bechett Fartoretto and Bowan Fartoretto.

Richard was preceded in death by his parents, Henry and Joan; and his beloved wife, Valerie, who was the love of his life.

A Graveside Service will be held at a later date at Riverside Cemetery in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan.

Condolences may be left to the family at www.familylifefh.com.

Obituary as submitted by family.

Cemetery Details

Riverside Cemetery

3260 Riverside Drive
Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783
<https://www.saultcity.com/parksrec/page/riverside-cemetery>

Events

Details are pending.

Tribute Wall

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starla hecker - June 09 at 03:27 PM

RS

“ Richard, played the piano & the organ, with all of his heart.💖🌹💔

Rena'e Skidmore - May 14 at 09:35 PM

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Richard was a dear childhood friend and was raised right next to our family home. He was my Brother Frank LaLonde's Best Friend all through school and beyond. They are together again. Rest In Peace dear friend. Condolences to his Family and his wife Beverly McBride DeMolen.

Roberta Verdone - May 15 at 01:33 PM

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I enjoyed the many years of playing and knowing Rich,RIP

Bruce Bourque - May 18 at 08:29 AM