



## Richard "Doc" Zabelka

October 8, 1931 - December 7, 2016

Richard "Doc" Zabelka, age 85, of Bay Mills, Michigan passed away Wednesday morning, December 7, 2016 at War Memorial Hospital. Doc was born on October 8, 1931 in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan to the late John and Elvern (Carpenter) Zabelka. He served in the United States Army as a Supply Sergeant and after his discharge Doc worked for the United States Navy as a civilian employee. He married Sally Birge on August 28, 1955 in Hessel Michigan. Later he earned his Doctorate Degree and taught Physics at LSSU. Richard enjoyed hiking, camping, hunting, reading, and spending time in the woods. Richard is survived by his two children: Steven Zabelka of Bay Mills, MI and Karen (Zabelka) Reattoir of Texas; five grandchildren: Brian Keiper, Claire Meneguzzo, Tyler Zabelka, Deveney Zabelka, and Adrienne Zabelka; and seven great grandchildren: Jonathan, Regen, Jared, Owen, Bryant, Russell and Kennedy. According to Richard's wishes, no public services will be held.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Steve, Tyler, Deveney and Adriane I am so sorry for your loss. My deepest sympathy. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

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**Cathy Netherton** - December 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ We are so sorry for your loss, you all are in our thoughts and prayers

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**Lucille Keller** - December 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ Spent many good times with my Brother-in-Law Dick; camping in the Kewanaw (sp?), and in the Sierras. MAny a great Thanksgiving and Christmas at Chippewa Landing in Brimley, MI. THose times are sorely missed. Condolences to Karen and Steve and their families.

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**Ernest & Barbara Birge** - December 08, 2016 at 12:00 AM