



Timothy "Tim" Karl Grobaski

May 18, 1956 - August 11, 2025

Timothy "Tim" Karl Grobaski, age 69, of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, passed away on August 11, 2025, at MyMichigan Medical Center – Sault surrounded by his family and closest friends. He was born on May 18, 1956, in Cheboygan, Michigan, to Paul Joseph and Irene Rosemary (Jankoviak) Grobaski.

Tim graduated from Cheboygan High School in 1974 before continuing his education at Delta Community College, where he earned an Associate's Degree in accounting. Tim met the love of his life, Martha "Marty" Ann Vilenski, early in life, and were married on August 5, 1978, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Cheboygan, Michigan. Tim began his career as a manager for Wicks Lumber, where he worked for seventeen years. He then owned a bath and kitchen shop, which he successfully ran for six years. Tim later became a sales representative for Quikrete at Cheboygan Cement Products, Inc., retiring in July of 2021.

Tim was a dedicated and active member of his community throughout the years, including memberships with the local Elks Club and CC Hall, as well as serving on the City Zoning Board of Appeals.

Tim's greatest passion was the cabin he and Marty built on McNearney Lake. There, he could enjoy his love of woodworking and home improvement

projects, ranging from birdhouses to home remodels. He also served on the McNearney Lake Property Owners Association for several years. As an outdoor enthusiast, he loved hunting, fishing, hiking, sightseeing, bird watching, and 4-wheeling. Tim will be remembered for his hard work, and his absolute love for his family, friends, and pets.

Tim is survived by his loving wife of forty-seven years, Martha; daughters, Amanda Rae (Ethan) Nayback of Marne, Michigan, and Lauren Kay (Joseph Cox Jr.) Grobaski of Sault Ste. Marie; grandchildren, Kyron Nayback and Rhys Nayback; sisters, Rosalie "Penny" Carlson of Melbourne Beach, Florida, and Mary "Bunny" Bohn of Cheboygan, Michigan; brother, Dean Grobaski from Cheboygan; brothers-in-law, Daniel (Mary) Vilenski of New York, Gerald (Barb) Vilenski of Plainwell, Michigan, Michael (Clare) Vilenski of North Carolina, and Brian (Kelley) Vilenski of Interlochen, Michigan; along with many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Tim was preceded in death by his parents, Paul and Irene Grobaski; brother, Paul Douglas Grobaski; and brothers-in-law, Barry Carlson and Melvin Bohn.

A Celebration of Life will be determined at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, Tim's wish was for everyone to hug their loved ones, tell them you love them, invite a friend to dinner, or check in on them just to say "hi". If you are wanting to make a Memorial contribution, please do so at the Chippewa County Animal Shelter, 3660 S. Mackinac Trail, Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783, or Hospice of the EUP, 308 W 12th Ave, Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783.

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

Tribute Wall

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“ *My sympathy on the loss of your loved one. Prayers and comforting wishes sent your way!*

David Gilbert and family - August 18, 2025 at 07:06 PM

KB

“ *My sympathy to the Grobaski family and friends during this difficult time. Thoughts and prayers are with you. So sorry Dean for the loss of your brother.*

Kathleen Bricker - August 17, 2025 at 11:06 AM

KC

“ *Marty, So sorry to hear of your great loss. Many good memories from our time together in college and in years after. Times like this are when we all wish we would have been able to stay in closer contact. We will be thinking and praying for you and your family.*
Kurt & Vickie Curtis

Kurt Curtis - August 16, 2025 at 04:35 PM

KM

“ *So sad to hear of Tim's passing. He was so determined to keep fighting. He was an inspiration. My deepest condolences.*

Kenneth R Murphy - August 16, 2025 at 07:45 AM