



Dean G. Goodman

June 2, 1943 - November 23, 2025

The family of Dean G. Goodman announces that Dean passed away peacefully on Sunday, November 23, 2025, at the age of 82 at Peabody Manor in Appleton, WI, surrounded by the love of his family.

Dean was born on June 2, 1943, in Stambaugh, MI, to Gerald and Mavis (Johnson) Goodman. Dean married his lifelong companion, Lois Abrahamson, on December 28th, 1960, and together they raised two children.

Dean spent 37 years working as a railroad engineer for the Chicago North Western and Union Pacific Railroads, a role that suited his dependable nature and strong work ethic. Retiring in 2003, he continued to embrace some of his favorite activities including hunting, motorcycle riding, and cheering on West Iron County football and basketball teams. He also enjoyed regularly volunteering at the Iron River Senior Center. He was happiest when surrounded by family and friends.

Dean is survived by his wife, Lois; his daughter, Debbi Goodman; his brother, Jim Goodman; his sister-in-law, Elaine Laakaniemi; and daughter-in-law, Dr. Lorene Lindstrom, DVM. He is further survived by 5 grandchildren: Hannah Goodman, Chelsea (Jon) Kataja, Kylee (Tom) Vitala, Zach (Melissa, fiance) Goodman, and Dr. Alexandra Goodman, DVM (Andy Baussum). He is further survived by 3 great-grandchildren, several nieces, one nephew, and many

friends.

Though his earthly journey has ended, his family takes comfort knowing he is at rest and reunited with those who went before him. Along with his parents, Dean was preceded in death by his son, Allen Goodman; his sister, Sandy Melchori; his in-laws, Gunnard and Emma Abrahamson; his sister-in-law, Carol Goodman; and his brother-in-law, Dick Laakaniemi.

A Memorial Service will be held at 1:00 pm on Friday, June 5, 2026, at the Iron River Senior Center. Burial will be in the Stambaugh Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests that donations be made in Dean's name to ThedaCare Hospice (<https://thedacare.org/about-us/giving/donate>) or to the Parkinson's Foundation (<https://www.parkinson.org>).

Condolences to the family of Dean G. Goodman may be expressed online at www.nashfuneralhome.net.

The family has entrusted Nash Funeral Home and Cremation Services of Crystal Falls with the arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Stambaugh Cemetery

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUN 5. 1:00 PM (CT)

Iron River Senior Center
814 N 4th Avenue
Iron River, MI 49935

Tribute Wall

BB

“ Dear Lois and family,
We were so sorry to hear of the passing of your husband Dean. He and Bill were classmates and you, Lois, and I were also classmates. Please accept our sincere condolences.

Bill & Janis Book - February 01 at 03:43 PM

KP

“ Heart going out to Lois and the entire family. I've known Dean since I was a little girl and his sister, Sandy, was one of my closest friends. Both at peace now. Soaring in the heavens!

Kay Paiter - December 14, 2025 at 04:29 PM

CM

“ My Condolences to Lois and the rest of the family. A lot of wonderful memories at all the sporting events. My prayers are with you all and may you rest in peace.

Cindy Mattson - December 10, 2025 at 06:50 AM

PD

“ Dean Dog, we delivered some trucks of fuel oil in our day. It was a pleasure to have known you. Enjoy that final train ride, from the Corn Dog.

Paul Dedo - December 09, 2025 at 03:20 PM

CS

“ Condolences to all who knew Dean. He was my second cousin, and we grew up together in Iron River, Mich., spending many happy and fun-filled hours in Ice Lake. He was always independent, and did things 'his way'. He was blessed having Lois for a devoted wife and companion, since High School. She stayed by his side, caring for him, and never complained. May he rest in peace. God Bless.

Connie Stoychoff-Waldvogel - December 08, 2025 at 11:17 AM

KC

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. My dad, Allan Stacy worked with Dean for many years on the railroad. I grew up knowing him as a kind man. God Bless all of you.

Kathie (Stacy) Clark - December 06, 2025 at 09:37 AM