



Glenn Scott Toivonen

April 30, 1964 - April 6, 2026

Glenn Scott Toivonen, 61, of Crystal Falls passed away unexpectedly on Monday, April 6, 2026, in the comfort of his own home.

Months after his birth, the family moved to Crystal Falls and settled in the Lind District, a close-knit neighborhood filled with families whose children were of similar ages. The families spent much of their time together, supporting one another and promoting youth sports, where the kids developed and honed their talents. Despite the challenges of diabetes, Glenn was an unyielding competitor from a young age. He attended Forest Park High School in Crystal Falls, graduating in 1982. Among the many sports he played, Glenn was especially proud to have been part of the 1981 state finalist teams in both football and basketball.

After graduation, Glenn was employed by AGA Connors Sport Flooring and Grandahl Logging before beginning a custodial career with Forest Park Schools, where he dedicated nearly 26 years of faithful service. He took great pride in his work and especially valued the relationships he built with student athletes, staff, and his fellow coworkers.

In 1993, Glenn married Sandy Berkeiser, and together they had three beautiful daughters. After they went their separate ways, he found a wonderful companion and dear friend in Sally Maki, with whom he shared his life until

her passing in 2021.

Forever an athlete, Glenn played independent basketball with the McNeil Oilers, softball for McGregors, and fast-pitch baseball with the VFW. He was also an avid outdoorsman who enjoyed fishing and hunting with friends and family at the Finn & Fur Camp in Ontonagon, kayaking the rivers of the western Upper Peninsula, and especially cross-country skiing. His effortless glide often left his brothers trailing in the snow, earning him the nickname "Paavo Nurmi" of skiing.

Glenn is survived by his 3 daughters, Mariah Weesner, Bailey Weesner, and Sydney Weesner; parents, Jerry and Barb Toivonen; 2 brothers, Jeff (Mary) Toivonen and Brad (Jen) Toivonen; nieces and nephew, Lizzy (Colin) Graham, Joni (Rob) Zyhowski, Susanna Toivonen (Ray Woodworth), Laina Toivonen, and William (Kristin) Toivonen; 2 great-nephews, Anders and Liam Zyhowski; and many other family and friends.

Visitation will be at the Christ United Methodist Church, 20 S. 5th St. in Crystal Falls, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on April 30, 2026, with Rev. Vicky Prewitt officiating the Celebration of Life Service at 11:00 a.m. with a luncheon to follow.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Glenn Scott Toivonen online at www.nashfuneralhome.net.

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

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 30. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Christ United Methodist Church
20 South 5th St.
Crystal Falls, MI 49920

Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall

DK

“ High school wouldn't have been the same without Glenn's friendship. He was an awesome person - so talented and amazing yet so down-to-earth and friendly. Truly the best man. RIP

Dubear Kroening - April 28 at 09:20 PM

KK

“ Kurt K. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Glenn Scott Toivonen.

Kurt K. - April 28 at 08:17 PM

RO

“ Having had the honor of being a close friend of Toivo for many years, it is comforting to read the family's tribute to him. In addition to his impressive athletic abilities which will always be remembered by many, his cross country skiing prowess, and love of the outdoors, the side of him which will stay with me most is how much he loved his family and how his eyes would light up whenever he spoke about them and with a big smile on his face. He was not afraid to show emotion in any form and his thoughts and words were utterly genuine. That was clear. As with any Son, Brother, Husband, friend, or Father, Glenn had regrets for sure. Quite frequently over the years, and more so recently, he spoke of his intention to spend more time with and I would say reconnect with all family members. I could tell he meant it. Equally as important was the pride he felt for his family. He looked up to them and remained proud of their accomplishments. I have always looked up to my friend and will continue to. His passing is going to take a long time to sink in but I miss him already, like everyone else. As Toivo often said...I love you man.

Rob - April 23 at 01:21 PM

PE

“ *I'm just heartbroken over his passing; my deepest condolences to the entire family.*

Paul E - April 16 at 05:00 PM

MO

“ *Sorry for your loss, I remember the good times and he was an old dear friend.*

Michael Olson - April 11 at 01:31 PM

MB

“ *Glenn will be missed as a friend and a part of our Forest Park Trojan family...our thoughts and prayers are with the family...RIP Glenn.*

Mike Bjork - April 11 at 08:28 AM

PB

“ *Glenn and I had many wonderful conversations after school when he was cleaning and I had just finished teaching. He always struck me as a very good man. He worked hard, he cared about doing a good job and he was kind to everyone. I am thankful for the opportunity we had to chat and will keep him and his family in my prayers. Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.*

Patrick Browne - April 10 at 06:57 PM

DR

Steve and I send our deepest condolences to Barb, Jerry, the girls, and whole family. This news came as a shock, and we have been praying for you all that God will provide comfort and wrap you in His love.

Debra Rhoades - April 29 at 07:31 PM



“ *We're so sorry for the families loss. Prayers to the family.*
Sundae Skolasinski

Sundae Skolasinski - April 10 at 06:01 PM



“ *Your Iron County Road Commission family purchased the Fall Fantasia for the family of Glenn Scott Toivonen.*



Your Iron County Road Commission family - April 10 at 05:47 PM