



Harding "Ole" Olsen

March 19, 1921 - August 3, 2018

Harding "Ole" Olsen, 97, of Crystal Falls, passed away on Thursday, August 2, , 2018 at Iron County Medical Care Facility. Harding was born on March 19, 1921 in Crystal Falls, son of the late Harold and Lettie (Haines) Olsen. He has been a lifelong resident and was a 1939 graduate of Crystal Falls High School. Harding joined the United States Army in 1942 and served during WWII in Normandy, Northern France and Rhineland. He was awarded the Purple Heart, Combat Infantryman Badge, Expert Infantryman Badge, ETO Service Ribbon and three Bronze Service Stars. Harding was honorably discharged in 1945. He worked for thirteen years as a turnkey for the Iron County Sheriff's Department and went on to work for many years in the Iron County Equalization Department. After retirement, Harding Volunteered for thirteen years at the Iron Mountain VA Medical Center. He was a member of Grace Presbyterian Church in Sagola, the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) and the Disabled American Veterans (DAV).

Harding was active in the community and enjoyed golfing at the Crystal View Golf Club and bowling with the local bowling league. He loved the outdoors, especially bowhunting. He was also a member of the Michigan Bowhunters Assoc. and was inducted into the Michigan Bowhunters Hall of Fame in 1989.

Harding is survived by his wife, Mae and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Harold and Gary Olsen.

Visitation will be from 10:00-11:00am on Wednesday, August 8th at the Nash

Funeral Home of Crystal Falls.

Funeral services will be follow at 11:00am Wednesday at the funeral home.

Rev. Ryan Flunker will officiate.

Burial will be in Evergreen Memorial Cemetery in Crystal Falls.

Condolences to the family of Harding Olsen may be expressed online at www.nashfuneralhome.net

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

Cemetery Details

Evergreen Memorial Cemetery

311 Logan St.
Crystal Falls, MI 49920

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 8. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Nash Funeral Home
104 N. Third St.
Crystal Falls

Funeral Service

AUG 8. 11:00 AM (CT)

Nash Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Inc.
104 N. Third Street
P.O.Box 147
Crystal Falls, MI 49920
1-906-875-6381
nashfuneralhome@gmail.com
<https://www.nashfuneralhome.net/>

Tribute Wall



“ Mae,

So sorry to hear about the passing of Harding. We have such nice memories of you both from the short time we lived there across the street from you. First we would see Haring in the garage sitting in his golf cart having a smoke and then we would see the two of you ballroom dancing. Your marriage was a good example of what a loving marriage should be. We had a big husky (Bear) that just was in love with Harding and would break out of his kennel to go visit him. You both will always have a special place in our hearts!

*Love,
Tim and Julie Robson
Kalamazoo*

Julie Robson - September 08, 2018 at 02:45 PM

WN

“ So sorry Mae, your in my thoughts

William Norkoli - August 20, 2018 at 11:55 AM

TD

“ Our family sending condolences for your loss.

TD - August 16, 2018 at 08:54 AM

ES

“ I have memories of Harding when he worked as Deputy at the Iron County Sheriff's Department when my dad was Sheriff years ago. Harding was such a friendly and good person. It was long after he left the Sherriff's Department that I found out he had fought in the roughest and most important battles in WWII. He never mentioned that he was even in the War let alone in some of the ferocious fighting of the war. Rest In Peace, Harding.

Ed Sandri - August 12, 2018 at 06:11 PM

LK

“ Mae, you and Harding were both such a blessing to Kurt and our family. What a joy to know they are now roommates forever in heaven! Praying for God to fill you with his peace and love now and always <3

Laura King - August 06, 2018 at 08:21 PM

VT

“ So sorry to hear this Mae... He was a good room-mate for Kurt these last 5+ years. And the way you helped look out for Kurt. Now they are both gone in just a week.

Valerie L TALSMA - August 06, 2018 at 06:31 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Harding "Ole" Olsen.



August 06, 2018 at 11:38 AM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Harding "Ole" Olsen.*



August 06, 2018 at 10:23 AM



“ *What a nice picture you chose of Harding. I enjoyed my working relationship with Harding. Always seemed to have a smile on his face and was always helpful to me. Sincere caring thoughts and our sympathy.*

Dan and Sue Passamani

Sue Passamani - August 05, 2018 at 06:42 AM