



Jalmer Kangas

November 9, 1926 - November 9, 2013

Crystal Falls

Jalmer O. Kangas,

87, died on Saturday, November 9, 2013 at the Oscar G. Johnson VA Medical Center in Iron Mountain. Jalmer was born on May 23, 1926 in Mass City, Michigan, the son of the late John and Alma (Moilanen) Kangas. Jalmer was a 1944 graduate of Greenland Twp. High School and immediately following his graduation was inducted into the United States Army. He served during WWII in France, Germany and Belgium. Jalmer returned from the war in 1946 and on October 16, 1948 married Joyce Abramson in Pelkie, MI. They celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary this year. Jalmer worked as a logger, was the manager of the Amasa Co-Op for a time and owned and operated Kangas radio and television repair. He joined the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Union in 1964 and worked as a construction electrician on various jobs across the country for the next 23 years, retiring in 1988.

Jalmer was an active member of Christ United Methodist Church. He was a life member and very involved in the Masonic Lodge and Eastern Star. Jalmer was a past worshipful master, past worthy patron, member of the White Shrine, Shriners, Knights Templar, Consistory and Royal Arch Masons. He was voted Mason of the year in 1990. Jalmer's favorite time of the year was deer hunting season. He loved to hunt and fish. Jalmer was an extremely talented handy man and repairman. He was counted on by friends and neighbors for his expertise in fixing everything. He was the one who designed

the electronic timer for the Masonic Lodge snowman contest. Jalmer was also known for his wonderful sense of humor. He was preceded in death by six sisters, Aileen Waldeck, Vivian West and four infant sisters.

He is survived by his wife, Joyce; two sons, Rodney (Susan) Kangas of Iron River and Bruce Kangas of Crystal Falls; grandchildren, Matthew (Heather) Kangas of Alamogordo, NM, Michael (Angela) Kangas of Madison, WI and Amber Caldwell of Iron River; great grandchildren, Morgan, Bryson, Brynn, Max, Briar, Helen, Mason, Makayla and Trevor

Visitation will be from 10:00 - 12:00 noon Wednesday, November 13, 2013 at the Christ United Methodist Church in Crystal Falls. Funeral service will be at 12:00 noon Wednesday at the church. Rev. Nate Reed will officiate.

Burial will be in the Alston Cemetery in Alston, MI.

Condolences to the family of Jalmer Kangas may be expressed online at www.nashfuneralhome.net

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

Tribute Wall

EW

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. Jalmer was a man of many talents. I remember first meeting your family when you lived in Amasa and managed the co- op. I remember being impressed that he could cut meat, do electrical work, do mechanical work, use a chain saw and if I'm not mistaken, fly a plane. You all have our sympathy.

Tom and Esther Neuner

Esther Maki Neuner - Dunbar, WI - November 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ TO: JOYCE, ROD AND BRUCE,
I will always remember the many times that your family helped our family out! My mom always cherished her friendship with your mom. Sometimes, life was hard, but because of good friends like all of you, life was somehow much better!
God bless,
Jim

Jim LaBombarb - GREEN BAY, WI - FRIEND - November 13, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ Dear Family: So sorry to learn of Jalmer's passing. I truly viewed him as a sound role model. Whether at Church or at the Masonic Lodge he was always a gentleman and a truly caring person. His life represents the things that made this nation so great. My prayers and thoughts are with you.
Steve

Steve Gagne - Crystal Falls, MI - Friend - November 12, 2013 at 12:00 AM