



Ralph Takala

May 29, 1939 - May 29, 2010

Ralph E. Takala, 71, of Crystal Falls, died Saturday, May 29, 2010 at the Oscar G. Johnson VA Medical Center in Iron Mountain.

He was born March 15, 1939 in Crystal Falls, son of the late August and Hilja (Peterson) Takala. He was a graduate of Crystal Falls High School, and then went on to join the United States Army in 1958. He was honorably discharged in 1960. Ralph married Donna Root, in 1961 in Crystal Falls in the Methodist Church. He worked for North Health Care in Rockford, IL for more than 40 years retiring in 1999. He and his wife moved back to Crystal Falls in 2000 where he enjoyed camping, four wheeling and deer hunting. He was a member of the Moose Club in Rockford, IL and the American Legion in Crystal Falls. Ralph was preceded in death by two sisters, Nancy Takala and Vienno Bombolis, and two brothers Matt and Floyd Takala.

Ralph is survived by his wife nearly 50 years, Donna Takala of Crystal Falls; sons, Troy (Mary) Takala of Crystal Falls, Randy (Tina) Takala of Gurney, IL and Michael (Stephanie) Takala of Rockford, IL; five grandchildren, Kristina, Rebecca, Nicole, Randy Jr. and Cyan Takala; a brother, Phillip Takala of Rockford, IL; and two sisters, Velma Penney of Rockford, IL and Liala Henry of Rockford, IL.

The visitation is scheduled for Thursday from 12 to 2 pm at the Nash Funeral

Home in Crystal Falls. The funeral service will follow at 2 pm at the funeral home. Rev. Michael Laakko will officiate. The Eastside Veterans Council will accord full military honors following the service. A memorial will be established in his memory.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Ralph E. Takala online at www.nashfuneralhome.net.

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

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 3. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Nash Funeral Home
104 North Third St.
Crystal Falls, MI 49920

Funeral Service

JUN 3. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Military Honors

JUN 3. 2:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ We are so sorry for your loss Donna and Family. Our prayers are with you. We lost a very good friend. God Bless. Duke & Alice Messner

Duke & Alice Messner - Crystal Falls, MI - Friend - June 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

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“ So sorry you have lost your loved one. I knew who he was and saw him a few times but we never had a chance to really get to know each other even though we were pretty close in age.
Carla (Mattson) Revello

Roland and Carla (Mattson) Revello - Vulcan, MI - Second cousin to Carla - June 03, 2010 at 12:00 AM

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“ To the Takala Family,
We are so sorry for you loss. You are all in our thoughts and prayers during this time. Know that Heaven has another angel. God Bless.
The Schultz family

Jessica Schultz - Sagola, MI - friend to Mary - June 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM