



## William A. Ross

December 16, 1962 - March 21, 2019

William A. Ross, 56, of Crystal Falls, passed away unexpectedly on Thursday, March 21st.

Will was born on December 16, 1962 in Crystal Falls, MI, son of Arnold and Pearl (Smithson) Ross. Will was raised in Crystal Falls and attended Forest Park Schools. He graduated from Forest Park High School in 1982. Will attended Northern Michigan University and graduated from NMU as a Heavy Equipment Service Technician. On October 29, 1988 he married his High School Sweetheart, Sally Jo Aho, at United Lutheran Church in Crystal Falls. He and Sally Jo lived in Kingsford for eleven years before returning to Crystal Falls. He has worked as a heavy equipment and diesel technician for the past two years at Minerick Logging.

Will enjoyed hunting, ice fishing, feeding the deer and "Cruising the Crusher." He especially loved spending time with his grandson.

He was preceded in death by his father, Arnold Ross; brother, Gene Ross; mother-in-law, Dulcie Aho and brothers-in-law, Steve "Kook Eye" Furmanski and Brian Hautala.

Will is survived by his wife, Sally Jo; son, Toby (Katelyn McCole) Ross of Crystal Falls; his mother, Pearl Ross of Crystal Falls; father-in-law, Jerry (Jeannie) Aho of Crystal Falls; brothers, James Ross and Edward Ross of

Crystal Falls; his grandson, Arnold William Ross and another grandchild expected in August; a sister-in-law, Shellie Aho of Crystal Falls; brother-in-law, Bill (Janelle) Hautala of Crystal Falls; and aunts, uncles and cousins too numerous to mention.

Visitation will be on Wednesday, March 27th from 10:00 am- 1:00 pm at United Lutheran Church in Crystal Falls. Funeral services will follow at 1:00 pm at the church. Rev. David Johnson and Rev. Micheal Laakko will officiate. Burial will be in the Evergreen Memorial Cemetery in Crystal Falls. Pallbearers will be Mike Santi, Dennis Johnson, Mark Davis, Jeff Kujala, Steve Menapace and Richard Ross.

Condolences to the family of William Ross may be expressed online at [www.nashfuneralhome.net](http://www.nashfuneralhome.net)

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

# Cemetery Details

## Evergreen Memorial Cemetery

311 Logan St.  
Crystal Falls, MI 49920

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 27. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

United Lutheran Church  
506 Superior Ave.  
Crystal Falls, MI 49920

## Funeral Service

MAR 27. 1:00 PM (CT)

United Lutheran Church  
506 Superior Ave.  
Crystal Falls, MI 49920

# Tribute Wall

LH

“ Pearl..I was a classmate of your sis Ev. My heart is heavy with pain with the loss of your son. Nothing anyone can or will say will ease that pain. Time and the Lord will give you hope. This I know as my son was taken this last July. Please accept my heartfelt words and know it wont be easy for a long time. Friends and family will be of help.

*Leora (oss) Harsh*

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**Leora harsh** - March 29, 2019 at 07:48 PM

LB

“ Pearl, I'm so sorry to hear this. My deepest condolences.

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**Linda Banicki** - March 28, 2019 at 01:31 PM

TN

“ Terry, Denise & Aspen Neymeiyer lit a candle in memory of William A. Ross



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**Terry, Denise & Aspen Neymeiyer** - March 27, 2019 at 09:49 PM

TN

*And Denise*

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**Terry, Denise & Aspen Neymeiyer** - March 27, 2019 at 09:54 PM

DO

“ *David & Gail Orchard lit a candle in memory of William A. Ross*



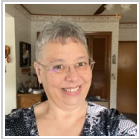
David & Gail Orchard - March 27, 2019 at 08:30 PM

SK

“ *Such a shock, My deepest sympathy. Nothing but good memories of Bill, Sally, and his entire family....He will be sadly missed by anyone who new him.*

*Samuel Krahn, Clovis, New Mexico*

Samuel Krahn - March 27, 2019 at 03:19 PM



“ *My heart breaks and yet rejoices at the same time. I have never known Sally without Will. May God bring peace to the family in knowing Will is home. We will all see him again and rejoice in that day. Thank you Will for always being so nice to me and smiling to just say hi.*



Tracey Harju - March 27, 2019 at 10:48 AM

JN

“ *Julie Noblet lit a candle in memory of William A. Ross*



Julie Noblet - March 26, 2019 at 08:16 PM

DM

“ *David And Roxanne McCole lit a candle in memory of William A. Ross*



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**David and Roxanne McCole** - March 26, 2019 at 03:59 PM

SS

“ *Sheri Skrzyniarz lit a candle in memory of William A. Ross*



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**sheri skrzyniarz** - March 26, 2019 at 11:12 AM

SS

*Sally and family, our deepest condolences to you all. we know how hard this time is for you and just want to say to hang in there, you never get over it, it just gets a lil easier as time goes by. love yas!*

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**sheri skrzyniarz** - March 26, 2019 at 11:13 AM

SL

“ *Staff of Florence Hardwoods LLC purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of William A. Ross.*



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**Staff of Florence Hardwoods LLC** - March 26, 2019 at 10:19 AM

JE

“ Sally, Toby, Katie, and Arnie,  
There are no words to offer comfort-I know Will was welcomed with  
open arms up there in Heaven. He is now watching over you all,  
with that grin of his! Prayers to you all! Love you all!!!

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**Jessica** - March 25, 2019 at 03:02 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the  
family of William A. Ross.



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March 25, 2019 at 02:29 PM

PK

“ Sally & Family, we are so sorry to hear about your loss. Please  
know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. Sincerely, Phil &  
Peggy Ketola

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**Peggy Ketola** - March 25, 2019 at 09:56 AM

SB

“ Our deepest sympathy to the Ross family. So unexpected and so  
hard. Cherish the good memories. Keep the faith.

*Suzan and Lynn Shuck*

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**suzan ballo** - March 25, 2019 at 09:45 AM

DK

“ We were shocked and saddened to hear of Will’s passing. Our deepest sympathies go out to Sally and family.

*Darin and Kris Krajewski*

**Darin and Kris Krajewski** - March 24, 2019 at 08:29 PM

MO

“ Unreal... our thoughts and prayers for my ole friend Bill Ross I always looked up to him as a brother when we were growing up.

*Michael Olson  
Greensboro, North Carolina*

**Michael Olson** - March 24, 2019 at 05:24 AM

SS

“ Steve & Monica Shirkey lit a candle in memory of William A. Ross



**Steve & Monica Shirkey** - March 23, 2019 at 10:06 PM

SS

*Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. No words can express our sympathy.*

**Steve & Monica Shirkey** - March 23, 2019 at 10:14 PM

LS

*Deepest sympathies to Sally and the entire Ross family. I know there are no words to comfort you at this time, but hope your wonderful memories will sustain you. ❤️*

*LaVerne Smith*

**LaVerne Smith** - March 24, 2019 at 05:50 AM

KW

“ We had the pleasure of getting to know Will from work. Anytime we had to go to the shop we would share stories about our grandsons, who are about the same age. We sure had a lot of laughs. He beamed with pride when talking about Arnold, and was happy to hear of the new baby on the way. We agreed that being a grandparent was the best!

*My heart is so heavy for your family. Be sure to watch for the signs from him. He will let you know that he is alright and in such a beautiful place.*

*With our deepest sympathy,*

*Kevin & Sherry Warlin*

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**Kevin & Sherry Warlin** - March 23, 2019 at 08:15 PM

 Dawn  
Kemnitz

“ Sally, I have been remembering all of the great times we had before kids. Lots of beers & lots of laughs. Bill was an amazing guy, always smiling & laughing. He will be missed by many people. I hope you find peace in remembering all of the wonderful you had together. You are in my prayers.

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**Dawn Kemnitz** - March 23, 2019 at 01:22 PM

DP

“ Sending caring and sincere sympathy in your loss. There are no words that can ease your pain but may memories help mend your broken hearts and keep him close.

*Dan & Sue Passamani*

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**Dan & Sue Passamani** - March 23, 2019 at 08:37 AM

RC

“ So sorry for your loss!. I pray for your family in your grief. May the Lord give you comfort!

*Roger Christian!*



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**Roger Christian** - March 22, 2019 at 08:45 PM



“ Julie Alm lit a candle in memory of William A. Ross



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**Julie Alm** - March 22, 2019 at 07:26 PM