



Robert E. Brekhus

December 17, 1945 - January 24, 2014

Robert E. Brekhus, 68, of Presque Isle, formerly of Chicago and Streamwood, IL, passed away at his home on January 24, 2014. He was born in Chicago, IL on Dec. 17, 1945 to Alfred and Mildred (nee Orell) Brekhus. Robert was a Vietnam Veteran, he served in the US-Marine Corps from 1966-68. He was employed for 37 years with Transo Envelope Co, then for Diamond Envelope for three years before retiring to the Northwoods in 2005.

Survived by his beloved wife of 47 years Millie (Mildred Husak) Brekhus; loving son Robert Brekhus Jr.; mother-in-law Helen Husak; sister Charleen Mazalewski; six sister –in-laws, Alice (Udo) Raik, Nancy (John) Leach, Darlene (Walt) Neyers, Barbara Husak, Christine (Robert) Pinta, Diane Brekhus; nieces and nephews, Tony Mazalewski, , Steve Mazalewski, Christine Mazalewski, Cindy (Charles) Boyd, Lisa Mazalewski, Tom Mazalewski, Steven Pinta, Jon Pinta, Stephanie Mazalewski, Ryan Mazalewski, Cassandra, Anneliese and Nicholas Wise.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and a brother Gary A. Brekhus. Visitation will be from 10 am to the time of the service on Saturday at the funeral home. Funeral services will be held at the Countryside Funeral Home in Streamwood, IL on Saturday February 1, 2014 at 12 noon. Burial will be in the spring at Evergreen Cemetery in Presque Isle, WI.

In lieu of flowers memorial are suggested to the national Parkinson Foundation or your local VFW.

Bolger Funeral and Cremation Service of Minocqua and Woodruff is serving

the family. Visit www.bolgerfuneral.com to share condolences, memories and pictures.

Cemetery Details

Evergreen Cemetery-Presque Isle

Presque Isle, WI

Tribute Wall

MB

“ Bob's remains were put to rest at Evergreen Cemetery in Presque Isle on June 7, 2014. The US Marine Corps presented the flag and the President's condolences to me. The American Legion's chaplain read prayers and the Legion performed the traditional gun salute before playing taps. At least 50 people were there to pay their last respects to Bob and share in my grief. Rest in Peace, dear husband. Love always, Millie.

Millie Brekhus - June 20, 2014 at 04:55 PM

JD

“ Millie I just heard the sad news and I am so sorry to hear about Bob. I remember the days when we all walked to and from the ice cream parlor you and Betty worked and the fun times we had and shared.

Again so sorry.

*Jack Dortch
Huntley,IL*

jack dortch - February 03, 2014 at 11:22 AM



“ Emilie Hines lit a candle in memory of Robert E. Brekhus



Emilie Hines - February 02, 2014 at 12:42 PM

BF

“ *Boyd Family lit a candle in memory of Robert E. Brekhus*



Boyd Family - January 31, 2014 at 05:55 PM

BF

Semper Fidelis

Boyd Family - January 31, 2014 at 05:56 PM

SM

“ *Sandy McKeone lit a candle in memory of Robert E. Brekhus*



Sandy McKeone - January 31, 2014 at 04:10 PM

SM

“ *Dear Millie: Hard for me to express how sad I am for you & family. Glad to have known Bob & you for so many years. Fond memories back to 69-70's. The years go by but never the memories and what a great person Bob was. He's at peace now & no more pain & you have your special angel watching over you. My deepest sympathy & I know
Buddy feels the same.*

*Sandy McKeone (Patterson)
Freeport, IL*

Sandy McKeone - January 31, 2014 at 04:04 PM



“ I would like to extend my sympathies on your loss... Even though I never met Robert;I was and always will be a friend of Gary's.When he came to first meet me and thru the years as we became friends he would take me on a journey down memory lane when he and Bob were young.Their experiences;his experiences thru Vietnam and the return home.His love for his brother was very clear to me. If it is of any comfort I do believe that the Brothers are once again united,perhaps fishing some-where and having a great time together....



Emilie Hines - January 31, 2014 at 10:17 AM



“ Dear Millie: Peg Wolf here on Bear's Den Natural Lakes. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family, as well as Bob who is now with our Lord, whom we all await to be with when He calls us home. No better place that to spend your earthly life than in the Northwoods, God's country, His Heaven on Earth, for that is what Natural Lakes and the Northwood is.....Heaven on Earth. and Bob helped it be that.....Heaven on Earth. Now Bob leaves his earthly home, to enter his new Home.....Heaven with God and His Son Jesus. He has not left you or any of us, he has just moved away to a new Home. God be with you and give you peace. I am praying for you. Love and blessings, Peggy Wolf

Peg Wolf - January 30, 2014 at 09:32 PM

MA

“ Dear Millie,

Just wanted to say that Bob was the best beer drinking buddy I had up North, I could of ever had. He has left my heart and mind with lots of good and happy memories. He will be sadly missed. Most of all your husband had a beautiful soul, and now he is in a better place and not suffering. My deepest sympathy to you and his family.

Mary Dybos

Mary - January 29, 2014 at 09:24 AM

MI

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Millie - January 29, 2014 at 09:16 AM

AO

*My boss
God bless your soul
I always remember you thank you 😊*

Art ortiz - July 22, 2025 at 06:10 PM

GS

“ Dear Millie,
I wanted you to know that word of Bob's passing has come to us down in central Florida. We are so sad for your loss. We have been praying for you both. We know that it was a blessing for him to leave off suffering now. But we also know the great sadness such loss brings to you and the family. Please know that your art friends are all thinking of you at this time. I look forward to seeing you in spring.
Hugs, Ginny Stiles

Ginny Stiles - January 29, 2014 at 06:38 AM

DS

“ Diane Steele lit a candle in memory of Robert E. Brekhus



diane steele - January 28, 2014 at 09:51 PM

DB

“ Hi Millie: I am so sorry to hear of the loss of Bob. I was so shocked when I saw your email. I only met him once for Gary's funeral, he was such a nice guy. He will be sadly missed. He is in heaven with Gary. He is no longer suffering. Please take care of yourself Millie and keep in touch. My deepest sympathy. Love Diane



Diane Brekhus - January 28, 2014 at 07:24 PM

SB

“ Dear Millie,

John and I are so sorry to hear about Bob's passing. Our regret is that we had such a short time to get to know Bob, but we certainly enjoyed seeing you both at the Ice Party, at First Saturdays, and especially at your home celebrating your Anniversary - what a fun night we all had!!

Our prayers are with you and your family at this sad and difficult time.

Love.

John and Sue Behrns

Lake Delhi, Iowa, and Bald Eagle Rd, Natural Lakes

Sue Behrns - January 28, 2014 at 10:39 AM

TL

“ 1 file added to the album *New Album Name*



The Leaches - January 27, 2014 at 07:54 PM

TL

“ Dear Millie, Char and family - Of course we were very sorry to hear of Bob's passing and it won't be the same going up north anymore. We know he is in a better place and will no longer have to suffer. Take good care of yourselves during this most difficult time. We are here for you.

Love,
Nancy and John Leach

The Leaches - January 27, 2014 at 07:52 PM

JL

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



John&Nancy Leach - January 27, 2014 at 11:26 AM

PR

“ 1 file added to the album Captain Bob



Patricia Russell - January 27, 2014 at 09:27 AM

MI

“ 1 file added to the album



Millie - January 27, 2014 at 09:01 AM

SM

Beautiful memories for you Millie, brought tears to my eyes. Bob was truly blessed to have such a wonderful woman by his side. He's no longer in pain and now is your angel watching over you. God Bless.

Sandy McKeone

Sandy McKeone - January 27, 2014 at 09:36 AM

MI

This video was taken on our 45th anniversary on June 18, 2011 at the new picnic shelter in our association. It was a Summerfest celebration with the live band you hear in the video. Bob was not getting around by himself anymore. He arranged with our home care lady when I was out one day, for her to take him to town to buy the beautiful anniversary ring that he gave me that day. It was a TOTAL surprise and one of the sweetest things he ever did. Bob, I will cherish this gift and your thoughtfulness always. Love, Millie

Millie - January 27, 2014 at 12:59 PM

AR

“ *Dear Millie and Jr.
So sorry that our dear brother-in-law is gone. Remembering the happier years of our young and fun lives, Bob is a big part of the past family history. From the old neighborhood days in the city in the 60's to the grown up days in the suburbs, to the retirement days of the North Woods in the 2000's, it was always great to share holidays and vacations and get-togethers. He will be in our prayers and hearts forever.
Love, Alice and Udo*

Alice Raik - January 26, 2014 at 07:11 PM

AR

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Alice Raik - January 26, 2014 at 06:55 PM

PP

“ *To Millie and Bob, Dearest Friends: Your love for each other fills every heart around you with joy! I cherish the moments of laughter, the moments of physical challenge, the moments of concern you shared with me in your travels around our Northwoods paradise by boat, by 4-wheel, by foot, by car, by snowmobile! Bob, now you have found peace in a greater Paradise! Thank You Paula Pomainville*

Paula Pomainville - January 26, 2014 at 05:22 PM