



# Eugene DuCharme

May 5, 1939 - September 10, 2022

NORWAY- Eugene Joseph DuCharme II age 83 of Norway, died Saturday, September 10, 2022 at Iron Co. Medical Care Facility in Crystal Falls, MI.

He was born May 5, 1939 in Iron Mountain, the son of the late Eugene and Julia (Provo) DuCharme.

Gene lived most of his life in the Dickinson County area and was proud to be a “Yoooper”.

Throughout his life he worked for several local businesses, in addition to being the owner operator of the Wildwood Resort in Crystal Falls and the Norway Current in Norway, Michigan. Even in retirement Gene continued working as the owner and operator of Custom Glass Etching in Iron Mountain.

Throughout his life Gene made many lifelong friends, he was especially fond of his camp buddies.

Gene served his country in the US Air Force joining in June of 1957, earning a good conduct medal before being honorably discharged in June of 1963.

On October 17, 1963 Gene married Beulah (Anderson) Price (widow of Gerald Price), accepting the responsibility of helping raise three young boys.

Gene had many hobbies including photography and birdwatching. He enjoyed his time spent with his camp buddies and weekly breakfast crew. He was especially proud of his grandchildren. He loved his dog Frosty who he treated like royalty.

Gene is survived by his wife Beulah “Jackie”; sister Jan (Joe Birch) Kero; three sons Bryan (Peggy) Price, Gary (Nancy) Price, Eugene (Shawn) DuCharme; and special daughter Lea (Todd) Varda; 10 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren.

Gene was preceded in death by two sons, Scott Price and Michael DuCharme and one grandson Cameron Price.

Family will greet friends on Tuesday, September 20 from 10-11 a.m. at the Ortman Funeral Home in Norway.

A Memorial Service will be held on Tuesday at 11 a.m. at the Ortman Funeral Home, with Rev. Dr. Michael Langlais, pastor of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Norway, officiating.

Interment will be held at the Norway Township Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## Norway Township Cemetery

Norway Township, MI

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **20**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Ortman Funeral Home  
618 Norway Street  
P.O. Box 155  
Norway, MI 49870  
(906) 563-5700  
ortmanfuneralhome@norwaymi.com  
<https://www.ortmanfuneralhome.com/>

## Memorial Service

SEP **20**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

PB

“ my sympathy to the entire family- as a neighbor growing up and knowing Gene all my life since- any time I would see him he always stopped to talk to me. Growing up in the neighborhood with the boys was always a great time and we could always count on Gene & Beulah to be supportive of our adventures. So sorry I could not make the funeral- so hard with shortened time frames and work schedules, but do know I think and care for all of you during this very difficult time.

Pam (Raiche) Bjorkman - September 23, 2022 at 11:57 AM

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“ Gene, Shawn and Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathi phyllum for the family of Eugene DuCharme.



Gene, Shawn and Family - September 19, 2022 at 07:11 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Eugene DuCharme.



September 16, 2022 at 08:41 PM

JB

“ When I think of my Uncle Gene, a long list of wonderful adjectives flood my mind. Here are just a few: Kind. He was a sweet and gentle man with a generous spirit. Quick to laugh and eager to have you laughing too. Fun-loving and always happy to find someone to share stories, a cup of coffee and perhaps a game of cribbage with. Curious and a good listener, he was always interested in learning new things about you or about life. He loved animals, especially dogs. Creative and talented. He had a keen eye for beauty in nature and a talent for showcasing it. His photographs and glass etchings were stunning. He was the type of person I would like to be like and am very lucky to have known. He is much-missed.

Julie Byrne - September 16, 2022 at 04:34 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Eugene DuCharme.*



September 15, 2022 at 09:23 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Eugene DuCharme.*



September 14, 2022 at 02:28 AM

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“ *Elizabeth Schwandt lit a candle in memory of Eugene DuCharme*



**Elizabeth Schwandt** - September 13, 2022 at 09:09 PM

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“ *Awe I will so miss your beautiful smile & laugh. I met Gene when I moved to the Crystal Lake Apartments in 2016. He & his beautiful wife became family to me. Gene use to keep an eye out on my adopted dog Marley. I moved out of the apartments and found our so did he. I was very blessed to see him still at the VA & hear stories of his monthly breakfasts with my landlord. Gene you will be missed dearly. Condolences to your wife & family. See you again my friend - Elizabeth Schwandt, U.S. Army Veteran 🇺🇸🇺🇸❤️*

**Elizabeth Schwandt** - September 13, 2022 at 09:08 PM

“ He was my brother, 6 yrs older, and my hero. He was kind, gentle, loved his wife, his family his friends and his country. He would do anything he could to help anyone. But he was not perfect, his body and his mind started failing him, but he tried. When his world fell apart last summer because he could no longer care for his beloved wife, because he was no longer strong enough, we invited him to live with us in MN. We tried, but it wasn't enough, he wanted to be home with his wife and back in Michigan. In the past few months, I believe they gave each other strength, until he couldn't do it anymore. I am so grateful that in his last few hours they were able to be together. Talking and holding hands. He never asked for help, seldom complained, and I never heard him say a bad word about anyone. This world could do with more people like him. He was my brother and I loved him. He is free now, and I picture him walking through the woods with his 35mm camera over his shoulder taking pictures of the birds and wildlife that he enjoyed, going home to a thick piece of prime rib, and playing a rousing game of smear with my parents. Mom will still beat him though. He will be walking without pain, and he will never be cold again. And I shall miss him.

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jan kero - September 12, 2022 at 08:10 PM