



John Gustavson

August 20, 1951 - May 15, 2025

NORWAY- John Nils Gustavson age 73 of Norway, passed away unexpectedly on Thursday, May 15, 2025 at Marshfield Medical Center – Dickinson in Iron Mountain, MI.

He was born in Littlefork, MN on August 20, 1951 the son of the late Nils and Eleanor (Palas) Gustavson of Browns Corner, MN.

John graduated from Falls Senior High School in 1969 and continued his schooling at Thief River Falls Vocational School to become an electrician.

He married Eunice Dvergsten on March 18, 1972 at St. Thomas Aquinas Church in International Falls, MN.

John started working in 1971 at the Boise Cascade papermill and moved to Norway in 1985 to work for the Quinnesec papermill until he retired in 2014.

He was a proud grandfather and enjoyed attending the grandchildren's activities. Working on many projects in his shop, gardening, yard work and his dog Charlie.

John is survived by his wife of 53 years Eunice; daughter Debra (Leonard) Switzer III; son Rick Gustavson; grandchildren Leonard Switzer IV, Josephine

Switzer, Carter Gustavson and Dalton Gustavson; many nieces and friends.

He was preceded in death by his sister Louise Stafne and brother Jim Gustavson.

Family will greet friends on Thursday, May 22, 2025 from 4-7 p.m. at the Ortman Funeral Home in Norway.

A memorial service will be held in International Falls, MN on a later date and will be announced.

Interment will be held at the Norway Township Cemetery.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **22**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Ortman Funeral Home
618 Norway Street
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<https://www.ortmanfuneralhome.com/>

Tribute Wall

CB

“ *Eunice and Family, Our thoughts and prayers are with you. John was an amazing guy who always helped others and had a great sense of humor. He will definitely be missed. Love you. Corey Bacon & family.*

Corey Bacon - May 22, 2025 at 03:40 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John Gustavson.*



May 21, 2025 at 05:45 PM

TF

“ *The Bouty family purchased the Simply Elegant S pathiphyllum for the family of John Gustavson.*



The Bouty family - May 20, 2025 at 09:09 AM

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“ *The Bouty family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John Gustavson.*

The Bouty family - May 20, 2025 at 09:09 AM

LP

“ Love Sue Hadley,Dan and Pat purchased the Encanted Cottage for the family of John Gustavson.



Love Sue Hadley,Dan and Pat - May 20, 2025 at 08:25 AM

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Love Sue Hadley,Dan and Pat - May 20, 2025 at 08:25 AM

TN

“ Oh Eunice, our hearts go out to you and your family. He was such a wonderful guy. Hugs my friend

Teresa Ness - May 19, 2025 at 08:32 PM

MK

“ Eunice and family....our deepest condolences to you in the loss of John. Keep your memories close to your heart and he will be with you always.

Jerry & Martha Karsnia

Martha Karsnia - May 19, 2025 at 08:07 PM

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“ *Up repair purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of John Gustavson.*



Up repair - May 18, 2025 at 12:16 PM

JO

“ *Eunice, John and I were partners at work of and on for years. My name is John Annoye, his favorite thing to say when we met someone...were just a couple of Johns. I loved that guy, he always had his compass on what was right and wrong. What a sad day to hear of your lose.*

John - May 18, 2025 at 10:24 AM

LC

“ *I'm so sorry Eunice, you are in my thoughts.*

Leila Canavera - May 16, 2025 at 03:54 PM