



Kenny "Nab" Nabhan

February 4, 1941 - March 27, 2019

Kenny "Nab" Nabhan, age 78, of Hobart, passed away March 27, 2019. He graduated from William A. Wirt High School in Miller. Nab built and owned Duck Creek Golf Course in Portage. He previously owned Nabs Lounge in Portage and In The Red Lounge in Miller. Nab was proud to sponsor benefits for breast cancer and many other charities. He held an annual benefit for his beloved dog, Duke, and the proceeds were donated to the Hobart Humane Society. He will be deeply missed by all that knew and loved him.

Nab was preceded in death by his parents-Herbert and Emily Nabhan; brother-in-law-Bill Stephan. He is survived by his loving wife-Barb; children-Ron (Michele) Nabhan, Michael (Sharon) Nabhan, Nikki (Tom) Stepanek; grandchildren-Zac and Hannah Nabhan, Sydney and Rachel Nabhan, Gavin, Savannah, and Abby Stepanek; two sisters-Delores (Bob) Arvidson, Joan Stephan.

A private memorial service will be held by his family. A Celebration of Life will be held at Duck Creek Golf Course this summer. The date and time will be announced at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Hobart Humane Society or to any cancer organization of your choice. Burns Funeral Home (Hobart) entrusted with arrangements. www.burnsfuneral.com.

Comments



“ I had some of the best days of my life with this guy never thought this day would come hope I see you again in the next life love you brother , Roger Foster

roger foster - April 17 at 06:46 PM



“ Kenny was one of the most kindest people, you would ever want to meet. He always had a smile for everyone. I worked for "Nabby", at "Inn the Red", back in the day, and he was the best boss to work for. I always enjoyed working there, and he was one of the reasons why. He did so much hard work for his "Duck Creek Country Club", working all hours, barely eating to get all the Golf holes done, one hard worker. And again, anytime you walked into the bar, always a kind word and a bright smile. Then all the fundraising he did there for local charities. You will be sorely missed "Nab", rest in peace my dear friend
Debbie Mathews

Debbie Mathews - April 08 at 01:10 PM



“ Nab had the best instinct for "atmosphere" going back to the early 70s on Lake Street to Duck Creek. Condolences to his surviving family. Great memories of a brilliant local entrepreneur.

G Stoya

George Stoya - April 07 at 06:13 PM



“ I loved to sit with Kenny and my Dad and listen to the two of them tell old stories of growing up in Miller and the thing's they did together.

Mark McNally - April 07 at 09:42 AM



“ Being a year older I never ran with your crowd, but I always looked at you as being a straight up kind of guy. Its my loss. Larry McCoy

Larry McCoy - April 02 at 08:33 PM



“ I have only great memories of "Nab", he was one of the greatest bosses I ever had. I worked for "Nab" back in "Inn the Red's" heyday. I have so many great memories of him, the bar, and all the close friends that used to come in there. My gosh, always a smile on his face and a kind word for everyone. May God surround his family and all his friends with love and comfort, I pray this in Jesus name

Debbie Mathews - April 02 at 07:20 PM



“ A great person, good pal, RIP Nab !

Brett Bouque - April 01 at 01:44 PM



“ Uncle Kenny always had a smile on his face and could make us all laugh when the families would get together. Our sincere sympathy goes out to the entire family. He will be truly missed by all.

Cheryl Porch
Port Charlotte, FL

Cheryl Porch - April 01 at 05:37 AM



“ Our deepest sympathies to the family, he will be missed.

John E Murphy - March 31 at 09:39 PM



“ May you rest in peace, Nab. You were a class act and a friend to so many. Even though I didn't get up there as often as I wanted to, you've always been thought of and you will be missed terribly.

Rita Parks - March 30 at 09:29 PM



“ I met Kenny (Nab) when I was 14 at Rex's pool hall on Lake St. I never knew a better person than Nab. I rang up the first drink at Inn The Red and later was the DJ on Friday nights . Went on his first flight (to the Bahamas on a one day junket for Adam Benjamin). Worked for Nab at Duck Creek and my son Jason worked at Three Falls. Too many stories to share here . Sincere condolences to Barb, Ronnie, Michael, Deloris , Joanie and your families. You are in our prayers . Love, Dorsey , Betsy,

Dorsey Bouque - March 30 at 08:16 PM



“ "Easy to share?"

Kenny was a young boy in the Nabhan Family homestead on Hancock Street? as we teens sat in the living room and listened with fascination to his dad, Herb play the banjo for us. Em's making a snack for us and laughing with us as she was ageless, then and now.

The Nabhan Family - one of the building blocks of a village that grew to a city long before there even was a Gary.

In the Miller of the post WW-2 days, we were all "related" by family, church, neighbors or all of the above. In my own 84 years I have never heard anyone who knew this young man utter anything but praise for not only Kenny, but his entire extended family.

I'd like to think that God in His infinite wisdom had a need for Kenny to be with Him, that is somehow greater than ours to keep him here with us? Perhaps to bring that quiet smile and soft voice to join those who have gone on and help make the arrangements for the Miller - Wirt 100th Anniversary?

The Miller of my youth is my personal "Brigadoon." One day each year, for all eternity, we all will awaken one spring, morning and stroll young well and happy down Lake Street, eat ice cream at Jack Spratts, a visit to "The Lake" and "The Park" and sit once more for yet another picture with Father Marquette. Pizza, the only pizza ever at Casa Roma. A day off from Miller School, or Wirt, a ride through the dunes and an evening bon fire on the lake as the sun sets and the Chicago Sky Line shines on us to close another perfect day.

Why is it that when any of us search for words that might in some way offer solace and understanding for this sad day, the only thing that can be said is "I'm so sorry."

But it is all that can be said and all who write here know that in truth, as does the entire Nathan Family know it just isn't enough, it's all we have.

"Rest easy, Sleep well -- Peace - Peace, Love and Farewell" old friend.

Al Shanahabn - March 30 at 03:20 PM



“ Thank you Al, you are a truly great friend. My brother was so very special and kind to everyone. Rest in Peace Dear Brother

Joan Stephan - April 02 at 02:33 PM



“ The entire McNally family is so saddened by this. Kenny has been part of my entire life. My dad and him could sit and tell stories for hours. And now they are reunited. The story telling and laughter is beginning again. Deepest thoughts and prayers go out to the Nabhan family.

Thoughts and prayers
Lisa McNally-Solomon

lisa mcnally-solomon - March 30 at 01:07 PM



“ Kenny Nabhan was my first cousin and I have nothing but great memories of him. He was so kind to my family. I was always proud of him and am saddened that he is no longer with us. My deepest sympathies to his boys and his family.

Douglas Nabhan
Richmond, Virginia

douglas nabhan - March 30 at 09:04 AM



“ I always called you Nabby

Larry McCoy - April 02 at 08:34 PM