



## Andrew "Andy" Lamminen

August 7, 1978 - September 7, 2019

Andrew "Andy" Thomas Lamminen, 41, resident of Cloquet, lost his battle with depression September 7, 2019 in Culver. He was born on August 7, 1978 to Tim and Kay (Blomster) Lamminen.

Andy loved the outdoors and was an avid visitor at the local lakes and rivers in his canoe; a place where he found peace and comfort.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Elmer and Elaine Blomster; paternal grandparents, William and Veronica Lamminen.

Andy's memory will be cherished by his mother, Kay (Steven) Strand; father, Timothy (Shirley) Lamminen; daughter, Elayna Kay Lamminen; and his special love, Lisa D. Mehle and her children.

A gathering of family and friends will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., with a time of sharing at 11:30 a.m., Friday, Sept. 13, in the Fireside Room of Atkins-Northland Funeral Home, 801 14th Street, Cloquet.

# Events

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**SEP** **Gathering of Family and Friends** 11:00AM - 01:00PM

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Atkins Northland Funeral Home

801 14th St., Cloquet, MN, US, 55720

**SEP** **Time of Sharing** 11:30AM

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# Comments

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**lisa** - Yesterday at 04:51 PM

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“ I haven't seen or heard from Andy in a good 7-8 years, and the one thing I think back to is how good of a friend he was. I never had very many "good" friends. Rest in peace Andy.

**LaCee** - Yesterday at 01:43 PM

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“ I worked side by side with Andy for over 6 months at my last job .. when he first started he was able to open up to me about his apprehensions and I encouraged him to stay on because of the nature of his character and what he brought to the table as a work partner .. we played ice golf together on one of the coldest days last February .. he liked talking about his pet rabbits and showing me the deer pics caught on his field cams .. Andrew inspired and encouraged me everyday .. no matter how tough the situation he always had a positive thought to share .. when it came to our job we shared the same passion for helping regular folks .. we made a good team .. sometimes on breaks I would catch up with him and we would sit in his car and just spill our guts about stuff .. we were always able to help each other put things into perspective .. we knew we had each other's back .. I looked up to the guy and though he had skills beyond mine, he always gave me the same respect in return .. Andrew was always up for a conversation about anything .. last Christmas I made BBQ steaks for a company lunch and he said it was the best steak he ever had .. there was no reason not to believe him .. he was one the most honest and kind hearted fellow human beings in the world .. I am very thankful I had the privilege to work with him and I was much anticipating crossing paths again. My heart dropped when I got the news .. it feels like I wish we could have been having one of our daily chats I could have seen some way to give him a good kick and help him through whatever it was ...the way he helped me so many times. My condolences go out to all of his loved ones and everyone who genuinely knew him .. Andy, This was no way to get out of going on that frozen lake for a rematch! Sure do miss ya buddy!!!

**Scott Williams** - Yesterday at 11:23 AM

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“ Had some good times playing baseball and football with you and the neighborhood kids. Loved riding our bikes through your flooded front yard every spring.

**Ben Mattson** - Yesterday at 10:17 AM

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“ There are so many things to say, but not sure how to put them into words. Andy was my co-worker and dear friend. We would joke that I was his coordinator for his work life, and he was my coordinator for after work kids schedule. Our lives had so many of the same activities happening, he kept me on top of school sports/activities/weather related events. My life will be forever changed!! He was my go to person when needing info on the "unknown".  
Andy's love for his family was amazing, not a day went by that he didn't have a new story to share about one of the children's adventures.  
To say that you are/will be missed is in understatement.  
Thanks for all the talks, thanks for the advice, and lastly, thanks for being the friend that was always there...  
Rest in Peace...



**Krissy** - September 13 at 09:16 AM

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“ he was such a gentle soul. I remember he had a pet duck and that duck KNEW the sound of his car and was always so happy to hear Andys car coming home to see him and his bunnies. I will always remember the bunnies



**Vaughn Wallace** - September 12 at 10:21 PM

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“ There are many many things that I can and would like to share, but I will keep them to myself. I'll miss my new working friend that I got to deal with on a daily basis. Rest in peace Andy! You will not be forgotten....

**Jason Granter** - September 12 at 08:40 PM

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“ To say this week has been difficult is an enormously understated way to explain how I feel about Andy leaving. Many poignant years were shared with him and just as many memories. May you rest peacefully, you will be thought of often.



**Hannah Lende** - September 12 at 03:38 PM

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**kay strand** - September 12 at 01:22 PM



“ Memories to hold on to .... He sure loved his baby!!!

**Krissy** - Yesterday at 01:10 PM

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“ I'm so sorry for your loss! Tears invade my every word! And only one thing comes to mind! "Kaboom yummy"  
I'll miss you dearly Andy!!

**Sara Micklewright** - September 11 at 08:29 PM

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“ I worked with Andy for a brief period of time, maybe 1-2 years, hard to tell when your having fun. He was an amazing person to be around; funny, goofy, strong willed, intelligent, patient, caring. I looked forward to the random fun fact of the day plus all of the other random information he'd bring to the table. I learned a lot from him and I feel like I grew a lot under his wing. We had a lot in common and I wish I would have taken more time outside of work to get to know him. I am extremely thankful for the impacts he has made on my life and my future. He definitely had a good heart. He will be one that I will not forget.

**Rob** - September 11 at 07:10 PM

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“ JoAnn Gustafson lit a candle in memory of Andrew "Andy" Lamminen



**JoAnn Gustafson** - September 11 at 01:33 PM

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“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Andrew "Andy" Lamminen.



September 10 at 04:07 PM

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“ I grew up just down the road from Andy. He was so amazing with his knowledge of computers. So many fun times together. Condolences to family and friends.

**Neil Erickson** - September 10 at 03:29 PM

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“ It's been a long time since I talked to Andy, but I was very sad to hear about this. He was always kind and caring. I remember the first day I met him at the high school, in the biology woods... He was wearing a trench coat, and carrying a briefcase. There are times when I wish I had reached out, but my life hasn't always made that easy. We were close for a while, and I still have The Doors tapestry he bought me. My heart hurts today at the loss of such a wonderful person that always went out of his way for those he cared about.. May you find the peace you couldn't find here.

M. M. - September 10 at 02:53 PM

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“ Carmela Taylor lit a candle in memory of Andrew "Andy" Lamminen



carmela taylor - September 10 at 02:14 PM

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“ From the Huot (Mehle) family with love. purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Andrew "Andy" Lamminen.



From the Huot (Mehle) family with love. - September 10 at 12:54 PM

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“ Cindy Eknes lit a candle in memory of Andrew "Andy" Lamminen



Cindy Eknes - September 10 at 12:13 PM

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“ Krissy, Amber, Missy, Rosa, & Jill purchased the Joyful Memory for the family of Andrew "Andy" Lamminen.



Krissy, Amber, Missy, Rosa, & Jill - September 10 at 10:09 AM

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“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Andrew "Andy" Lamminen.



September 10 at 09:08 AM

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“ We are so very sorry for your loss. We remember Andy when our kids were young Gena and Isaac Saarberg all the fun they had playing together. He was such a nice kind caring young man. We loved spending time and talking and laughing with him. Our kids just loved him so. Words can not express how sorry we are. He will be missed. Sending our thoughts and prayers. Tim and Doris Saarberg

Tim and Doris Saarberg - September 10 at 07:54 AM