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Ray Whitanen, former resident, dies

Ray Whitanen, a former Bonnets Ferry resident, died July 10 at Houghton, Michigan. He was 53.

Mr. Whitanen was a former industrial arts teacher at Bonnets Ferry High School and served as BFHS vice-principal under Milt Hengle.

After leaving Bonnets Ferry he moved to St. Maries where he served

as principal of the St. Maries and Kamiah high school.

At the time of his death he was vice-principal of the Houghton high school and had been honored by the Michigan Athletic Directors Association for his work in helping young athletes in the Copper Range.

A former member of the congregation at St. Anne's Catholic Church,

Bonnets Ferry, Mr. Whitanen was buried from St. Ignatius Catholic Church, Houghton.

He is survived by his wife, Rita, at the home; and five children, Mikey and Lori, of Marquette, Mich., and Ross, Mary Jo, and Tim, at the home.

Cards can be sent to his wife at 308 W. Edwards, Houghton, Michigan, 49931.