



THOSE PASSED FROM THE CLASS OF 1968

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Michael Durham (1972 — 2/5/1972)
Charles (Chuck) Eimer (2023 -- 5/3/2023)
David Engel (2019 -- 12/3/2019)
Thomas Arthur Esch (2023 -- 9/17/2023)
Julie Fink (1965 — 3/3/1965)
John Flading (1998 — 5/18/1998)
Kay Garlock (2008 — 5/14/2008)
Beau Goodwin (2004 — 5/6/2004)
Kristina GUYER Webb (2019 -- 10/19/2019)
Betty June Haines (1973 -- 1/9/1973)
John Hampton (2013 — 12/29/2013)
Dale M. Harper (2012 — 9/10/2012)
Robert Hartman (1993 — 8/24/1993)
Judy Rae HINCHER Starcher (2023 -- 1/28/2023)
Donald L. Holben (2022 -- 9/19/2022)

Elon Timothy "Tim" liams (2019 -- 11/5/2019)
Miriam JONAS Kuebler (2018 — 5/12/2018)
John LeRoy Kahlke (2013 — 3/20/2013)
Daryl J. Katalenich (2020 -- 9/8/2020)
Thomas Kirby (2016 — 7/18/2016)
Kenneth Kuepfer (1998 — 5/11/1998)
Robert Donald Leaf, Jr (1985 — 10/2/1985)
Carol Ann "LEITZ" Walker (2021 -- 11/16/2021)
Edward Marks (2004 — 12/19/2004)
Larry Mattson (2005 — 9/20/2005)
Earnest S. May (2018 — 3/28/2018)
Charlotte McConnell (2007 — 4/1/2007)
Kenneth McDaniel (2002 — 7/12/2002)
Ruth MILLER Buckley (2010 — 7/15/2010)
Richard Mitchell (NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.)
Diane Lea MYERS Fisher (2019 -- 9/2/2019)
John Nichols (1997 — 8/26/1997)
Linda Marie Olds (2021 -- 2/12/2021)
Arv Pettitt (2017 — 11/29/2017)
Linda Marie POHL Griffin (2019 — 2/10/2019)
James Pollock (1983 — 2/17/1983)
Gary Poole (2001 — 10/13/2001)
Bruce Pratt (2015 — NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.)
Rodger John Price (2007 — 7/21/2007)
Ronald Pung (1999 — 7/26/1999)
Robert Howard Reedy (2017 — 3/11/2017)
Gary Allen Richey (2019 -- 8/13/2019)
Roger Allen Roth (2019 — 4/4/2019)
Stephen Wayne Rowell (2022 -- 10/24/2022)
Larry Albert Schneeberger (2023 -- 6/3/2023)
Melvin Sharrah (2003 — 9/25/2003)
Roger Sonnenberg (1993 — 5/24/1993)
Kenneth A. Speigl (2012 — 5/17/2012)
Randy Sproat (2011 — 6/5/2011)
Thomas R. Teel (2012 — 11/23/2012)
Kenneth L. Thorn (2009 — 4/22/2009)
Karen TILLITSON Truitt (2017 — 4/10/2017)
James C. "Jim" Townsend (2022 -- 2/5/2022)
Barbara Warner (NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.)
Kevin Russell Webb (2012 — 1/8/2012)
Clyde Douglas Weir (2023 -- 10/15/2023)
Thomas M. Williams (2015 — 12/31/2015)
Laura WILSON Modena(2018 -- NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.)
Stephen Wilton (1988 — 3/14/1988)
David Bandy Wiseman (2009 — 10/23/2009)
Russell C. Woodruff (2014 — 12/6/2014)
Raemelee WRIGHT Garrison (2021 -- 6/11/2021)



Carla Adams

Class of 1968

DATE OF PASSING: 3/10/1987

NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.



Forest Richard Bancroft

Class of 1968

DATE OF PASSING: 2/19/2000

NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.



Donald Duane Barker

Class of 1968

DATE OF PASSING: 4/14/2012

Donald Duane Barker of Eaton Rapids, age 61, went home to be with the Lord on April 14, 2012. Born April 29, 1950 in Lansing, MI. Donald was truck driver at U.B.C.R. for the past 10 years. He was the driver for the DeWitt/St. Johns area Miller Beer route for Dan Henry for 28 years. He loved M.S.U. sports, especially football. Surviving are his wife of 41 years, Elizabeth J. ?Betty? Barker; sons, Jason L. (Kelly) Barker, and Kevin S. (Janell) Barker; 4 grandchildren, Alissa D. Heiser, Zachary L. Barker, Cameron C. Barker, and Kaleb S. Barker; father, Jerry & Reba Barker; 3 brothers, Richard (Sue), Lawrence (Julie), and James (Tammie) Barker; 3 sisters-in-law, Linda (Dan) Stienbach, Karen (J.R.) Elliott, and Teresa Regan; 3 brothers-in-law, Herbie Runge, David Runge, and Don Ouderkirk; and many nieces and nephews. Donald was preceded in death by his mother, Shirley Barker; sister-in-law, Mary Jane Ouderkirk; brother-in-law, James Runge. Memorial Services will be 11:00 A.M. Saturday, April 21, 2012 at the Oneida Gospel Church, 3048 Strange Hwy. Grand Ledge, MI with Pastor Larry Schrauger officiating. The family will receive friends from 10:30 to 11:00 A.M. Saturday at the church. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Donald Barker Trust in memory of Donald. Friends may visit the guest book at www.tiffanyfuneralhome.com. Arrangements by Tiffany Funeral Home, Lansing.





John N. Bechtel

DATE OF PASSING: 1/12/2010

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John Norris Bechtel of Lansing, age 61, passed away January 12, 2010. He was born July 27, 1948 in Tokyo, Japan, son to Victor and Eleanor (Bossard) Bechtel. John was a retired Workers Comp Investigator for the State of Michigan; past ambassador and life member of the National Corvette Museum and member of the Capital City Corvette Club. He was a member of the Our Savior Lutheran Church; life member of the NRA, and was a very dedicated grandfather. John will be greatly missed by his loving wife of 12½ years, Sandra J.; stepchildren: Stephen R. (Michelle) Utrup of DeWitt, Julie A. Utrup of Grandville and Andrea L. Utrup of Lansing; grandchildren: Lauren and Gavin Burns, Lillian and Madeline Utrup; 2 brothers, David W. Bechtel of Wyoming and Robert P. (Sharon) Bechtel of Eaton Rapids, and was predeceased by his parents. Memorial services will be held Monday, January 18, 2010 - 11:00 a.m. at the Our Savior Lutheran Church, 910 E. St. Joe Hwy., Lansing, MI 48917, with Pastor Roy Olsen officiating. The family will receive friends Sunday 5-8 P.M. at the Peters & Murray Funeral Home in Grand Ledge. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Capital City Corvette Club (for Educational Scholarship Fund), P.O. Box 27295, Lansing, MI 48909. Online condolences may be made at www.petersandmurrayfuneralhome.com



James "Thumper" Brighton

DATE OF PASSING: 7/25/1999

Class of 1968

Birth 30 Aug 1949
Lansing, Ingham County, Michigan, USA
Death 25 Jul 1999 (aged 49)
Hastings, Barry County, Michigan, USA
Burial: Oakwood Cemetery
Grand Ledge, Eaton County, Michigan, USA



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Bonnie Lynn Brox Kwant

August 25, 1950 — January 23, 2023 (Aged 72)

Bonnie Lynn Brox Kwant, 72, of Grand Ledge passed away peacefully surrounded by family on January 23, 2023. She was born in Lansing on August 25, 1950 to Lloyd and Joyce (Hertel) Brox. Bonnie was an employee of the Michigan Department of Treasury until her retirement. Her love of animals and gardening began as a small child growing up on the family farm. She loved tending to her garden in the summer and was known to never turn away a person or an animal in need. Bonnie was an excellent cook and also had a passion for travel. There are many memories of growing up camping with family and friends and also the many trips to New York City to shop, sightsee and watch the Thanksgiving Day parade. Bonnie was one special woman; she was kind to all and will be deeply missed. She leaves behind her daughter, Heather (Luke) Vellanti; brother, Richard (Char) Brox, as well as many nieces and grandnieces. Visitation will be Friday, February 3 from 4-7 p.m. at Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, 406 N. Bridge St., Grand Ledge, MI. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Capitol Area Humane Society, 7095 W. Grand River Avenue, Lansing, Michigan 48906 (<https://interland3.donorperfect.net/weblink/weblink.aspx?name=cahsad&id=23>) in



her honor would be appreciated.



Ernst "Ondie" Brum

Class of 1968

BIRTH: April 23, 1950
 Klagenfurt, Klagenfurt am
 Wörthersee Stadt, Carinthia (Kärnten), Austria
 DEATH: September 21, 2002 (aged 52)
 BURIAL: Sterling White Chapel and Cemetery
 Highlands, Harris County, Texas, USA



DATE OF PASSING: 9/21/2002



Note the design: The middle of the stone with circle for "O" and then "ndie" inside the O: Ondie.



Darrel Stuart Brunger

October 15, 1949 — September 2, 2020 (Aged 70)

Darrel Stuart Brunger longtime Grand Ledge resident passed away at home September 2, 2020 surrounded by his loving family. Darrel was born October 15, 1949 in Lansing, Michigan to the late Stuart C. and Edythe M. (Shepard) Brunger. He graduated from Grand Ledge High School Class of 1968 and proudly served his country in the U.S. Navy on the submarine the USS Caiman. After serving, Darrel worked in HVAC maintenance for the State of Michigan. He was an avid fisherman, hunter, outdoorsman and hobbyist.

He is survived by daughters, Tamara (Tim) Lipsey and Candace (Brian George) Brunger; grandchildren, Jackson and Mason Lipsey and Aiden George; sisters, Sue (Jeff) Schiable and Karen (Dale) Simpson; nieces and nephews, Jenny Sonnenberg, Casey Gorrell and Mitchell Smith. Darrel was preceded in death by his brother, Jeffrey.

According to Darrel's wishes he will be buried at sea and a private family service will be held. Memorial contributions may be given to the family to be donated in Darrel's name at a later time. Contributions may be mailed to 406, N. Bridge Street, Grand Ledge, Michigan 48837 (checks made payable to Tamara Lipsey) Arrangements by the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge.





Richard A. Buckmaster, II

DATE OF PASSING: 12/19/2017

Class of 1968

Richard A. Buckmaster, II age 67 of Morrice, passed away due to complications of Alzheimer's disease on Tuesday, December 19, 2017 at Eaton Community Palliative Care. A funeral mass will be celebrated at St. Mary Catholic Church in Morrice on Saturday, December 23, 2017 at 1:00 PM. The Rev. Fr. Jim Lothamer will officiate. The family will receive friends at Watkins Brothers Funeral Home in Perry on Friday from 2-4 & 6-8 PM. A rosary will be prayed Friday evening at 7:00 PM.....



Richard was born in Lansing, MI on September 26, 1950, the son of Richard & Kathleen (Root) Buckmaster. He graduated from Grand Ledge High School in 1968. On January 18, 1975 he married Anita May Bressette at St. Thomas Aquinas in E. Lansing. Richard worked as a parts salesman for Paul Auto Parts and Capital City International Truck & Bus Sales. He enjoyed hunting, fishing and playing with the grandkids.

He is survived by his wife of 42 years, Anita, their children: Erin (James) White of Lansing, Jason (Chrissy) Buckmaster of Lansing, Amy (Cal) Robertson of Griffin, GA, grandchildren: Tyler, Kelsey, Kaitlyn, Joseph, Caleb, Jonah, and Briella, his sister Connie (Mick) Ream of Williamston, brothers Mike (Roiana) Buckmaster of TN and Bob (Julie) Buckmaster of Lansing, his parents of

Grand Ledge, nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by grandparents John & Irene Buckmaster, Clarence & Alice Root. Memorials are suggested to Heartland Hospice of Mason or Eaton Community Palliative Care. Online condolences may be sent to the family by going to www.watkinsfuneralhomes.com



Robert L. Burpee

DATE OF PASSING: 5/16/1994

Class of 1968

Robert L. Burpee -- Okemos

Robert L Burpee, loving husband, father, brother, son and friend, died suddenly on May 16, 1994. He will be greatly missed by his wife, Mimi; daughters, Elizabeth and Arran; son, Sean. His loving family also include his mother and step-father, Ada Mae and Kenneth Beagle; sister, Karin; sister Diane and Jerry Wilson; nephews, Brady and Tim Wilson; niece, Wendy Wilson. He was preceded in death by his father, Lt. Col. Clair R. Burpee. Bob was born November 22, 1950; attended Grand Ledge High School and graduated from Central Michigan University in 1973. He was a member of Peoples Church; had been active in local theatre s a Director and had been head of the Theatre Department at Lansing Community College. He was currently self-employed and owner of Robert L. Burpee Associates. A celebration of Bob's life will be held at People's Church, 200 W. Grand River, East Lansing, Monday, May 23, 10:30 a.m. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to his Children's Educational Fund in care of the family or Habitat for Humanity. The family was served by Gorsline-Runciman Co. East Chapel, East Lansing.



Kathleen Byrne Smith

DATE OF PASSING: 3/27/2008

Class of 1968

Kathleen M. Smith -- Grand Ledge

Kathleen Byrne Smith of Grand Ledge passed away March 27, 2008. Kathleen was born May 1, 1950 in Lansing, Michigan to the late Gerald W. and Helen V. Niles Byrne. She was an accountant with Metalist Inc. in Lansing. Loving mother of Megan Helen Roberts of Grand Ledge. Sister of Dr. Michael M. Byrne, Jerilyn Byrne Castellani both of New York and the late Patrick Jay Byrne. Aunt of Shan M. Byrne of Annapolis, MD, Brendan M. Byrne of Deer Park, NY, Erin M. Byrne Stack of Atlanta, GA, Patrick M. Byrne of Arlington, Virginia, Anna Castellani and Jonathan Castellani of New York. Great aunt to Nina Sophia Lamb of New York. The family will receive friends Saturday, March 29, 2008, at the Holihan-Atkin Funeral Home, Grand Ledge from 1:00 P.M. until the time of the memorial service at 2:00 P.M. Memorial contributions may be given to Hospice Services, Sparrow Foundation, Hospice House of Mid-Michigan, P.O. Box 30480 Lansing, Michigan 48909.



Mary Michele Chesbro

DATE OF PASSING: 1/3/1966

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Miss Mary Michele Chesbro, Route 1, Lansing, age 15, died Monday in Lansing. Born March 27, 1950 in Lansing and a lifetime resident of Lansing and vicinity, a member of St. Michaels Catholic Church, Grand Ledge, a sophomore at Grand Ledge High School, Jr. Varsity cheerleader, and a member of the Latin Club.

Surviving are: the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Chesbro; one brother Gilbert; two sisters, Jeannine and Nanette, all at home; the maternal grandfather, Thomas K. Gilbert, Lansing; paternal grandfather, Earl Chesbro, Yuma, Arizona; four aunts.

Vigil services will be held Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at Peters and Murray Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. Rosary will be recited at 8:00 p.m. Wednesday. Funeral services will be held at St. Michaels Church, Thursday at 10:00 a.m. Fr. Richard Kroft Officiating. Interment in Evergreen Cemetery.

(From an Article in the Lansing State Journal, Tuesday, January 4, 1966)

GRAND LEDGE — Miss Mary Michele Chesbro, 15, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Chesbro, R. 1, Lansing, died Monday at the office of a Lansing physician.

Ingham County Coroner Jack Holmes said the girl had been suffering from infectious mononucleosis.

She was a Grand Ledge High School Sophomore and a Junior Varsity Cheerleader. She was also a member of the Latin Club and St. Michaels Church.

She is survived by her parents, a brother Gilbert; two sisters, Jeannine and Nanette, all at home; two grandfathers, Thomas K. Gilbert of Lansing; and Earl Chesbro of Arizona.

Funeral services will be held at St. Michaels Church, at 10:00 a.m. Thursday. Burial will be in Evergreen Cemetery, Lansing.



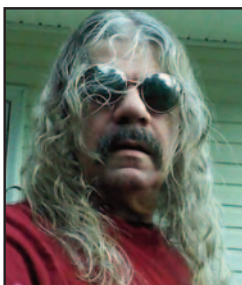
Jeffrey Church

Class of 1968

DATE OF PASSING: 2/1/2019

Jeffrey Church of Charleston, South Carolina passed away on February 1, 2019.

Jeff is survived by his five children. At this time no funeral arrangements have been made or planned. Jeff will be cremated and his ashes will be returned to Michigan. Plans are being made for burial near his parents in either Grand Ledge or Portland. A get together in memory of Jeff's life will take place this summer at a location yet to be determined. *(This information was provided by Jeff's sister Carol Church Dupler.)*



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Stanley Peter Cierlik

June 21, 1949 — June 22, 2022 (Aged 73)

Stanley Cierlik of Eagle, passed away on June 22, 2022, at the age of 73, he was born in Lansing, MI on June 21, 1949, son of Peter and Grace Cierlik. Stan served in the United States Army, and was a member of the Wacousta-Dewitt Masonic Lodge #359.

Stanley is survived by his children: Karl (Tonda) Bradley, Bryan (Laura) Bradley, Amanda (Pam) Loechler, and Samantha (Ronnye) Spencer; grandchildren: Jessica Dice, Fiona Bradley, Carol Dewitt, Derek Dewitt, Daryl Dewitt, Eliceeya Dewitt, Eric Spencer, Devyn Socha (Phillip), Keegan Waldecker, and Breann Cierlik; great granddaughter Vivian Dice; mother-in-law Dottie Feighner; brothers Charles (Sherry) Cierlik and Frank (Karen) Cierlik.

He is preceded in death by his wife Karlyn (Feighner) Cierlik; brother John Cierlik; son Chad Cierlik; daughter Shannon Waldecker (Cierlik); sisters Carol Taylor and Marlene Fine.

A Masonic funeral service will be held on Wednesday, June 29, 2022 - 11:00 a.m. at the Mills Funeral Home, Peters & Murray Chapel, Grand Ledge with visitation one hour prior to the service; interment with military honors to follow at Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens, Watertown Township. Visitation will be held on Tuesday from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in loving memory of Stanley Cierlik to the Wacousta-Dewitt Masonic Lodge #359 or the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

The family has entrusted arrangements to the Mills Funeral Home, Peters & Murray Chapel, Grand Ledge. Online condolences may be placed at www.millsfuneral.com.



Dellajean Combs

Class of 1968

Dellajean Combs -- Bay Area Resident

DATE OF PASSING: 5/1/2017

Friends and family are mourning the loss today of Della Jean Combs who passed away on Monday, May 1 after a long illness. A beloved friend and confidante, Della was a woman of extreme courage and unwavering compassion. Dedicating her life in service of others, she was a trusted counselor to her clients and a passionate advocate for those who could not speak for themselves. Always seeking the best in herself and others, Della loved deeply and enjoyed many close relationships with friends and family. She is survived by her husband of more than 33 years, David Dyke. Rarely apart throughout their marriage, David and Della enjoyed travel, their dog, Spencer, and celebrating with those they love. Other surviving family members include Jim Combs (Elois), Shirley Quick and many others throughout Michigan.

Private celebrations of Della's life will be held in California and Michigan. In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory may be sent to the Cancer Support Community (donatenow.networkforgood.org), the American Cancer Society (donate3.cancer.org), or Habitat for Humanity (secure.habitat.org).



Bonnie Jean Curtis Brighton

Class of 1968

DATE OF PASSING: 3/23/2009

Bonnie Curtis Brighton of Sunfield, born September 19, 1950 in Roxand Township, Eaton County, Michigan, passed away March 23, 2009 at the age of 58. Bonnie was a graduate of Grand Ledge High School, Class of 1968 and a former employee of Michigan National Bank. She enjoyed playing bingo, bowling with her husband, James and especially spending time with her family. She will be greatly missed by her daughter, Lisa (Mark) Nurenberg and 2 sons, Jamie (Jamie) Brighton and Jay (Angela) Brighton; 10 grandchildren: Zackary, Amber and Ashley Nurenburg, Katelynn, Andrew, Jacob and Brendon Brighton, Mikayla, Karissa and Bradlee Brighton; 2 brothers, Dennis (Sue) and Ronald Curtis; and sister-in-law, Cindy Curtis. She was predeceased by her husband of 30 years, James "Thumper"; parents, William and Dorothy (Hoy) Curtis; brother, Andrew Curtis; and sisters, Mary Ann Southwell and Linda Beck. Funeral services will be held Friday, March 27, 2009 - 11:00 a.m. at the Peters & Murray Funeral Home, Grand Ledge, with interment to follow at Oakwood Cemetery, Grand Ledge. The family will receive friends Thursday, 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the funeral home. For those desiring, contributions may be made to the Huntington's Disease Society in memory of Bonnie Brighton. Online condolences may be made at www.petersandmurrayfuneralhome.com





Michael Jerold Davids

DATE OF PASSING: 2/25/2016

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Michael Jerold Davids, of Grand Ledge, passed away Thursday, February 25, 2016 at the age of 66. He graduated from Grand Ledge High School class of 1968. He worked and retired from Olofsson Corporation as a Project Engineer. Mike was a quiet and reserved man, but when it was needed he was not scared to tell you exactly what he was thinking. He loved his grandchildren and the time spent with them. He is preceded in death by his mother, Ruby (Whitacre) Davids and his father-in-law Mervin Smith. He is survived by his devoted wife of 26 years Barbara (Smith) Davids; his daughters, Roberta Davids, Angela (Charles) Seaton, and Rhonda (Ryan) Redd; his beloved grandchildren, Brianna Davids, Imari Williams, Cathleen, Samuel, and Zachary Seaton, and Rylan and Reagan Redd, his father, Jerold Davids; 2 brothers, Jerry (Beverly) Davids and Rick Davids, his mother-in-law Pauline Smith, a brother-in-law Paul (Lynn Hodge) Smith, and many loving cousins, nieces, and nephews. A Celebration of Mike's life will be held Friday, March 4, 2016 at 3:00 p.m. at the Palmer, Bush & Jensen Family Funeral Homes, Delta Chapel, 6020 W. Saginaw Hwy, Lansing, with Chaplain Steve Ezop officiating. The family will receive relatives and friends at the funeral home Friday beginning at 2:00 p.m. until the time of service. Contributions may be made to Alcoholics Anonymous in memory of Mike.



Bonnie Jean Dayton Robertson

DATE OF PASSING: 11/13/2008

Class of 1968

Bonnie J. (Dayton) Robertson, of Dickerson Lake, formerly of Charlotte passed away November 13, 2008. Bonnie was born in Lansing, Michigan on August 30, 1950. She graduated in 1968 from Grand Ledge High School, was a member of the Grand Ledge First Congregational United Church of Christ, and was retired from the Michigan Secretary of State. Bonnie had many fond memories spent with family and friends at their home on Dickerson Lake and also their winter home in Las Cruces, New Mexico and she will be greatly missed by her family and many friends. Bonnie is survived by her husband of 39 years, Dave "Robby", son David Robertson of Sand Lake, grandchildren Tyler, Kelsy, Kortny, mother Shirley Dayton of Grand Ledge, brothers Jim (Kathy) Dayton of Lansing, Bill (Lee Ann) Dayton and Scott (LuAnn) Dayton both of Grand Ledge, Daughter-in-law Kelly Osborn of Mason and several nieces and nephews. Bonnie was preceded in death by her son Troy and father Forest. A funeral service will be held Monday, November 17, 2008 11:00 AM at the Holihan-Atkin Funeral Home, Grand Ledge with The Reverend James P. Nichols officiating. Interment to follow at Oakwood Cemetery, Grand Ledge. The family will receive friends at the funeral home Saturday 6-8:00 PM and Sunday 2-4:00 PM and 6-8:00 PM. Memorial contributions may be given to Mid-Michigan Home Care and Hospice 3007 N. Saginaw Road Midland, Michigan 48642





Richard Duane Deuel

Class of 1968

Birth: 1950, Michigan, USA

Death: 4 Feb 1968 (aged 17)

Brevard County, Florida, USA

Burial: Oakwood Cemetery

Grand Ledge, Eaton County, Michigan, USA

DATE OF PASSING: 2/4/1968



(From an Article from the Lansing State Journal, February 5, 1968)

GRAND LEDGE — Richard D. Deuel, 17, of 811 Jenne Street, Grand Ledge, died Sunday as a result of injuries received in an automobile accident in Brevard County, Florida.

He was a student in Eau Gallie High School in Florida.

Survivors include his father, Ronald of Grand Ledge; his mother and stepfather, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Duguid, Grand Ledge; three brothers, Steven, Robert and Norman Deuel of Grand Ledge; his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Deuel, Grand Ledge, and Mr. and Mrs. Grover Urie, Portland; five stepbrothers, Lloyd Duguid, Jr., of Torrence, California, Mark of Barryton, and Chris, John, and Scott of Grand Ledge, and three stepsisters, Dana and Elizabeth of Grand Ledge, and Kathy of Barryton.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Thursday in the Peters and Murray Funeral Home with burial in Oakwood Cemetery.



Sue Ann DORMER Figel

December 29, 1949 -- September 30, 2019 (Aged 69)

Sue Ann (Dormer) Figel of Ionia passed away at the young age 69, September 30, 2019, after losing her battle to pancreatic cancer. She was born on December 29, 1949 in Lansing, the daughter of Leon and Leah (Maurer) Dormer. She graduated from Grand Ledge High School with the class of 1968. Sue married her loving husband, George Figel on February 21, 1976 in Lansing. Her true passion and love was for her children and grandchildren; they could always count on her to be in their cheering section. She was a dedicated General Motors employee for 38 years as an inspector. Sue was a Women's Chairperson for Local Union 602,1618. She was very involved in community support and activities within the plant including Rosie the Rivitar, golf outings, breast cancer awareness, Children's Miracle Network, United Way and Toys for Tots. She also coordinated Halloween and Christmas holiday parties for the plant co workers and their families.



Sue will be greatly missed by the love of her life and best friend George Figel of Ionia; son Kurt (Darlene) Figel of Charlotte; daughters Kari (Ron) McCloud of Saranac, Lisa (Matthew) Chapko of St Johns, Jenifer (Kevin) Pogodzinski of Dorr and Carrie (Ray) Hall of Dewitt; grandchildren who adored her; Alexandria Fry, David Gonzales, Crystal Gonzales, Alexandria Winkler, Markus Gonzales, Tena (Jordan) Harnish, Jacob McCloud, Marcus McCloud, Monica Weber, Lindsay (Dale) Spitzley, Michael Weber, Joshua Pogodzinski, Aleah Hall, Quenten Hall, Jaden Hall and

Ella Hall and 17 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her mother Leah Dormer, dad and step mom Leon and Maxine Dormer, brother and sister-in-law Bill and Dixie Dormer, sister and brother-in-law Pat and John Smith, grandson Derek Figel, great granddaughter Charlotte McCloud-Harnish, father and mother-in-law Lester and Louise Figel and brother-in-law Jan Wesley Figel.

Funeral services for Sue will be held 1:00 PM, Thursday, October 3rd at Lake Funeral Home in Ionia with Pastor Randy Cherpes officiating. Interment Balcom Cemetery. Visitation will be Thursday from 11AM-1PM. Those wishing may make memorial contributions to Sparrow Hospice or Ionia Community Awareness. Online condolences may be made at www.lakefuneralhomes.com



James E. Doxsie

Class of 1968

DATE OF PASSING: 3/24/1992

James E. Doxsie, 42, of Eaton Rapids, MI formerly of Grand Ledge, MI. died March 24, 1992. Mr. Doxsie was born Dec. 29, 1949 in Grand Ledge, and was the head warehouse man for Stevens Van Lines in Lansing, MI.

He is survived by his wife of 23 years, Nanette; two children, Rebecca and Daniel; parents, John and Beatrice Doxsie of Grand Ledge; brothers, Gerald Doxsie of South Carolina, and John Doxsie of Illinois; sister Cindy Barth of Beaverton; and two nephews.

Services were held March 27 at the Skinner Funeral Home in Eaton Rapids, MI with Rev. Gary Bright of the Church of the Nazarine in Eaton Rapids officiating.

Casket bearers were John Rapson, Phil Treadwell, Kevin Crawley, Tom Veltman, Dan Gates, and Toni Dixon. Interment was in Oakwood Cemetery, Eaton Rapids, MI.

Contributions may be made tot he Church of the Nazarine building fund.



Sandra Lee Doxsie Kirk

January 8, 1950 — November 2, 2020 (Aged 70)

La Quinta, CA - Sandra Lee Doxsie Kirk, 70, of La Quinta, California, died November 2, 2020 at home with family by her side after a brief illness of ALS. Born January 8, 1950 in Lansing, Michigan, she grew up in Grand Ledge Michigan, graduating from their high school in 1968. She resided in San Leandro, California for 37 years before relocating to the desert landscape she loved in La Quinta, California. Sandra was a kind and devoted wife, mother, sister, and friend.

Mrs. Kirk is survived by her husband of 47 years, John Wylie Kirk; by sisters Susann (Doxsie) Elliott of Lansing, Michigan; Mary (Richards) Linsley of Battle Creek, Michigan; Helen (Richards) Baird of Northville, Michigan; and brother Harry (Richards) Wurts of East Aurora, New York. She was predeceased by son Aaron E Kirk, brothers George Richards and Edward (Richards) Elsie and parents Wayne and Violet Doxsie.

Her ashes will be interred at a later date in the Fairgrove, Michigan family plot. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in her name to The ALS Association, 1275 K St NW #250, Washington, DC 20005 or to The Elmer L. and Elizabeth Mooney Kirk Endowment Fund, ProLiteracy Worldwide, 101 Wyoming St. Syracuse, NY 13204.



Michael Elwin Durham

Class of 1968

DATE OF PASSING: 2/5/1972

BIRTH 11 Jun 1950

DEATH: 5 Feb 1972 (aged 21)

Lansing, Ingham County, Michigan, USA

BURIAL: Oakwood Cemetery

Grand Ledge, Eaton County, Michigan, USA





Class of 1968

Charles (Chuck) Eimer

November 25, 1950 — May 3, 2023 (Aged 72)

Charles (Chuck) Eimer, passed away on May 3, 2023, in Columbus, Ohio. He was born on Nov 25, 1950, in Grand Ledge, Michigan to loving parents Orville (Dude), and Thelma Eimer.

He is survived by his son Pat Eimer (Kathi daughter in law, Preston grandson), sister Annie Spitzley (Tom brother in law), twin-sister Mary Beachnaw, many nieces and nephews as well as extended family all which loved him.

Chuck was preceded in death by his parents Orville (Dude) and Thelma, spouse Paula and infant daughter, sister Mitzie, brother James and Robert Eimer.

He grew up in the Grand Ledge area and had many friends. He married and shortly after that moved to Florida where he lived in various locations for almost 50 years. He was especially fond of his time in the Florida Keys.

Chuck was an avid fisherman and loved being on the water. Later in life he moved to Columbus Ohio to be closer to his son, daughter in-law, and grandson.

Chuck was a true character and lived life his way until the very end. He was a good man and will be missed.

Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.neptunesociety.com/location/columbus-cremation for the Eimer family.



David L. Engel

June 13, 1949 -- December 3, 2019 (Aged 70)

David L. Engel, age 70, of Sunfield, died December 3, 2019. Mr. Engel was born June 13, 1949 in Ionia, a son of James and Ethel (DuBois) Engel. He was a truck driver and a commercial artist. David was preceded in death by his wife, his parents and all but one of his brothers & sisters. Surviving are two daughters, Michelle Nyhus of Owosso and Melinda Engel of Ionia; grandchildren and sister, Debra Engel of Mulliken. Memorial services will be held at a later date. Arrangements by Barker-Leik Funeral Home, Mulliken.



Class of 1968

Thomas Arthur Esch

October 6, 1949 — September 17, 2023 (Aged 73)

Thomas Arthur Esch of Eagle passed away September 17, 2023 just three weeks after his wife of over 52 years, Jacalyn (Cochran) passed away. Tom was born October 6, 1949 in Lansing, Michigan to the late Francis and Lorraine (Cook) Esch. He graduated from Grand Ledge High School in the Class of 1968 and worked for the State of Michigan as a Supervisor maintaining the state police vehicle fleet. Tom enjoyed building things and working with his hands so after retirement he owned and operated his own company, Esch Construction. He was an avid hunter and fisherman and looked forward to trout fishing and deer camp every fall. Tom loved his family and looked forward to spending time with them on camping trips, family gatherings, holidays, and special occasions.

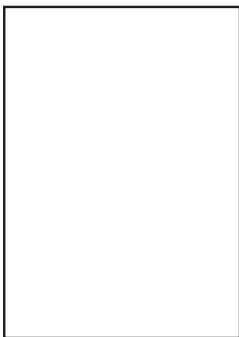


He is survived by his sons, Scott (Jeanne) Esch and Bill (Vickie) Esch; grandchildren, Rachael Hinds, Ashleigh Esch, Kyle Hinds, Dillon Esch, Amy Jo Esch and Brady Esch; siblings, Theresa (Ed) Shivley, Linda (Russ) Russell, Kathleen (Thomas) Leitz, Karen (Scott) Eavey, John (Leah) Esch and Mark (Elizabeth) Esch. Tom was preceded in death

by his wife, Jacalyn Esch; daughter, Amy Esch; and nephew, Gerrit Esch .

A funeral service will be held Friday, September 22, 2023, 12:00 pm at the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge with Father James Eisele, officiating. Visitation will be Friday from 10:00 am until the time of the service at 12:00 pm. Memorial contributions in Tom’s name may be given to the Michigan United Conservation Club, 2101 Wood Street, Lansing, Michigan 48912

(https://michiganunitedconservationclubs.app.neoncrm.com/forms/onlinedonate?_gl=1*ak69p2*_ga*MjEzZjMxNDk0My4xNjk1MTI5ODYz*_ga_3TCKK33NPD*MTY5NTEyOTg2Mi4xLjEuMTY5NTEyOTg2NC4wLjAuMA)
Share your memories and condolences online at www.holihanatkin.com



Julie Ann Fink

Class of 1968

Birth 1950
Death 1965 (aged 14–15)
Burial: Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens
De Witt, Clinton County, Michigan, USA

DATE OF PASSING: 3/3/1965



John E. Flading

Class of 1968

Birth 1950
Death 1998 (aged 47–48)
Burial
Hillside Cemetery
Delta Mills, Eaton County, Michigan, USA

DATE OF PASSING: 5/18/1998





Kay Garlock

Class of 1968

DATE OF PASSING: 5/14/2008

NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.



Noel Austin Goodwin

Class of 1968

BIRTH 15 Jul 1950
DEATH 6 May 2004 (aged 53)
Pinellas County, Florida, USA
BURIAL Dunedin Cemetery
Dunedin, Pinellas County, Florida, USA

DATE OF PASSING: 5/6/2004



Kristina Guyer Webb

DATE OF PASSING: October 19, 2019

(NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE AT THE TIME OF HER PASSING.)



Betty June Haines

August 16, 1950 — January 9, 1973 (Aged 22)

(NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.)



John Hampton

Class of 1968

DATE OF PASSING: 12/29/2013

NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.



Dale M. Harper

Class of 1968

DATE OF PASSING: 9/10/2012

Dale M. Harper -- Grand Ledge

Dale was born on March 13, 1950 in Lansing to the late Claude and Wilma Harper. He passed away on Monday, September 10, 2012 at the age of 62. Dale was a loving husband, father, and grandfather who will be missed by many. Dale worked as an electrician for General Motor for 36 years and was a veteran of the U.S. Navy. Dale loved spending time with his family. He enjoyed playing football, basketball, baseball and skiing with his wife and kids when they were younger. He also enjoyed watching movies, listening to music, and playing Wii or Nintendo with the grandchildren. Dale was also a big Michigan State Spartan fan, an amazing drummer, and enjoyed mowing his lawn and washing cars. He is survived by his wife of 39 years, Roseanna (Dorin) Harper and their children Amanda (Dave) Martin and Erik Harper; four grandchildren: Madison, Gregory, Eli and Kai; sisters Joyce (Doug) Meister, Barbara (James) Scheidt and Rebecca (Raymond) Gesselman; many nieces, nephews and in-laws, as well as his snacking bud, Gus. Dale was preceded in death by his parents, special aunt Mildred Miller, mother-in-law Jennie Dorin, nephew Kurt Cook and niece Wendy Edwins. A Visitation will be held Saturday, September 15, 2012 from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the Peters & Murray Funeral Home, 301 E. Jefferson St., Grand Ledge. There will be no memorial service. In lieu of flowers, those desiring may make contributions to Siren Eaton Shelter, 245 S. Cochran Ave., Charlotte, MI 48813 or the Capital Area Humane Society, 7095 W. Grand River, Lansing, MI 48906. Online condolences may be made at www.petersandmurrayfuneralhome.com.



Robert T. Hartman

Class of 1968

DATE OF PASSING: 8/24/1993

Birth 1949
Death 1993 (aged 43-44)
Burial
Deepdale Memorial Park
Delta Township, Eaton County, Michigan, USA



Class of 1968

Judy Rae Hincer Starcher

April 18, 1950 — January 28, 2023 (Aged 72)

Judy Rae Hincer Starcher of Lansing, MI passed away on January 28, 2023 at the age of 72. She was born on April 18, 1950 in Grand Rapids, daughter of William and Betty (Cottrell) Hincer. Judy retired from the State of Michigan, working in the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, and also retired from Meijer of Dewitt after working as a greeter for 14 years. She had a love of people and talking with them. However, her deepest love in life was her family; she lived for making sure they were loved and provided for at all times. Judy enjoyed nature, feeding the birds, traveling, going to Mackinaw to see the bridge and Lake Michigan.

She is preceded in death by her parents, and sister, Patti Ann Hincer. Judy is survived by her sons, Jeff Whitacre and Matt Hincer; sisters, Janet Hincer and Jo (Ron) Spencley; nephews, Brian (Shannon) Dunlap and Joey (Shannon) Dunlap; nieces, Meagan (Jordan) Hoffman and Lauren (Frank) Schott; best friend, Molly (Jim) Kus; 4 beloved cats; great nephews and great niece: Liam Dunlap, Weston Dunlap, Everett Dunlap, and Bella Hoffman.



A Memorial Service will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in loving memory of Judy to the Capital Area Humane Society. The family has entrusted arrangements to Mills Funeral Home, Peters & Murray Chapel, Grand Ledge. Online condolences may be placed at www.millsfuneral.com.



Class of 1968

Donald L. Holben

August 4, 1950 — September 19, 2022 (Aged 72)



Our beloved husband, dad, grandfather, brother, uncle, son-in-law and friend died September 19th, 2022. He was diagnosed with Parkinson's at the age of 48 and lived courageously fighting the disease for 24 years. These last ten years as the disease progressed he also developed Parkinson's- related dementia. Don was employed as a Systems Analyst for the State of Michigan, retiring after 36 years. Don was an accomplished drag racer. Some men golf on the weekends, Don raced on weekends. He won many, many trophies, both local and national. He won the U.S. Nationals in 1978, the Southern Nationals in 1980 and the Spring Nationals in 1984. In 2007 he was inducted into The Michigan Motorsports Hall of Fame. He served as a board of director's member until his health wouldn't permit his participation. Don also regularly donated gallons of blood to the Red Cross, something his Dad started. However, all of his accomplishments didn't compare to being a father to his three girls. Paige (Dustin) Duprest, Sara (Andy) Herman and Lauren Holben. He was a marshmallow when it came to his girls. He let Carmen be the disciplinarian and he would be the softie. He loved and really

liked his son- in- laws, Dustin Duprest and Andy Herman. He thoroughly loved and enjoyed his seven grandchildren between the ages of 2 and 8. Twins Brynn, Dayton and Dawson Duprest. Nora, Ethan, Rose and Ella Herman. He loved seeing his grandchildren using his walker as "grandpa's stroller". Surviving are his wife of 38 years, Carmen. His three girls, and seven grandchildren. Sisters, Pat (Dave) Finnie, Karen (Lyle) VanHouten, Marty (Tom) Froman and Sue (John) Vannator. Brothers, Howard (Denise) Holben, Alan (Susan) Holben. Sisters and brothers in law Joe and Maggie Trevino, Jim and Mary Heldreth, John and Linda Silvas. He also leaves his 95 year old mother in law, Ester Silvas. Don leaves behind several nieces and nephews as well as great nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents Conwell and Madeline Holben and father in law Pablo Silvas. The family would like to extend a special thank you to Dr. Christos Sidiropoulos of MSU neurology for the excellent care Don received for his Parkinsons. Visitation for Don will be held at Palmer Bush & Jensen Family Funeral Homes Delta Chapel on Friday September 23, 2022 from 2:00- 4:00pm and 6:00- 8:00 pm. Funeral services will be held Saturday, September 24, 202, 11:00 am at Palmer Bush & Jensen Family Funeral Homes Delta Chapel . In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to the Michigan Parkinson's Foundation, 30400 Telegraph Rd. Suite 150 Bingham Farm, MI 48025 or to the American Red Cross.

Please remember "Drag racers never die. They simply race at a higher altitude".



Elon Timothy "Tim" Iiams

October 1, 1949 -- November 5, 2019 (Aged 70)

Elon Timothy Iiams lifelong resident of Grand Ledge passed away November 5, 2019 in Lansing. Elon was born October 1, 1949 in Carson City, Michigan to the late Elon A. and Rachel L. (Randall) Iiams. He attended Grand Ledge High School and proudly served his country in the United State Army during Vietnam and retired from GM after 37 years of service. Elon enjoyed camping, fishing, and hunting, especially bow hunting. He also enjoyed watching Gunsmoke which was one of his favorite television shows. He is survived by his wife of over 50 years, Rebecca

A (Campbell); daughters, Autumn Iiams, Angela Iiams and Amber (Timothy) Barnhart; grandchildren, Shemar Glover, Timar Iiams, Brennan, Maddison and Colby Barnhart; siblings, Mike (Kay), Sue (Jack) Kellogg and Kevin. A private family service will be held.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Disabled American Veterans. Arrangements by the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. Share your memorials and condolences online at www.holihanatkin.com



Miriam Jonas Kuebler

DATE OF PASSING: 5/12/2018

Class of 1968

Miriam S. Kuebler, age 68, of Prescott, Arizona, passed on to a better place on Saturday, May 12, 2018. She was born in Lansing, Michigan, on May 4, 1950, to Emil and Esther (Johnson) Jonas, and married Judge Robert Kuebler, Jr., in Prescott, Arizona, in 1996. Miriam graduated from Grand Ledge High School in 1968 and attended Adrian College in Michigan and Yavapai Community College in Prescott. She worked as a Title Officer in real estate in Prescott. She played softball and was the women's archery champion in Arizona from 1974-76.

Despite being in a wheelchair for nearly the last 17 years, Miriam never lost her sense of humor or her spirit for life. She loved music, watching old and new movies, collecting recipes and cooking, taking courses from painting to philosophy, and caring for the numerous species of birds and plants on her deck. She loved horses and the Kentucky Derby as evidenced by the hat in her picture.

Miriam was preceded in death by her husband, Robert, who died in an automobile accident in Montana in 2001; her brother, Ken, in 2003; her stepdaughter, Jodi Reed in 2015; and her son, Matthew, in 2016. Miriam is survived by her brothers, Roger (Susan) and David (Susan) Jonas; stepson, Terry Reed; several nieces and nephews; and special friends, Bonnie Pranter and Barbara Timmer.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Memorial Day, May 28, 2018, at 7 p.m., the Activity Room at Brookdale Prescott. A separate event will be held in Grand Ledge, Michigan, at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Audubon Society, animal rescue groups or the charitable organization of your choice. Information provided by survivors.



John LeRoy Kahlke

DATE OF PASSING: 3/20/2013

Class of 1968

John LeRoy Kahlke, 63, of Charlotte, MI, passed away Wednesday, March 20, 2013. John was born December 1, 1949, in Lansing, the son of Otto and Inez (Zischke) Kahlke. John graduated from Grand Ledge High School in 1968 before serving as a first cook in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam Conflict. In 1969, on the way to the races, he met Diana Erbskorn. He never made it to the races because he preferred to stay and enjoy the hamburger she made him. The two married on November 11, 1972. John continued his passion for racing, traveling throughout the country to watch the stock cars. He worked 16 years at Motor Wheel in Lansing as well as other factory work. John is survived by his wife of 40 years, Diana; daughter Karen of Redford; brothers David Kahlke of Lansing and Henry (Rita) Kahlke of Dewitt; six brothers-in-law; and many nieces and nephews. John was predeceased by his brother Andrew. A Memorial Service will be held at 10:00 am on Saturday, March 23, 2013 at Pray Funeral Home in Charlotte. Visitation will be from 6:00-8:00 pm on Friday, March 22. Memorial contributions may be made to Eaton Community Palliative Care. Arrangements by Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte. Special Military Honors provided by Charlotte VFW Post #2406. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.prayfuneral.com.





Daryl J. Katalenich

November 14, 1950 — September 8, 2020 (Aged 69)

Daryl J. Katalenich of Dimondale passed away September 8, 2020 in Lansing. Daryl was born November 14, 1950 in Lansing, Michigan to Steven and Sibyl (Leonard) Katalenich. He graduated from Grand Ledge High School Class of 1968 and attended Lansing Community College and Northwood University. He was a member of the Army National Guard for 20 years, retiring as a Major. Daryl retired as an IT Specialist from the State of Michigan. He enjoyed fishing, swimming, reading, and bird watching. He loved going to their cabin in Port Austin and spending time in Lake Huron.

He is survived by his loving wife of 33 years, Mary (Kubasiak); daughters, Tina (Ed Bissell) Reimer and Kari (Marc) Oberdank; grandchildren, Zoe, Jadon, Eli and Brenan Reimer, Kate and Jace Oberdank; mother, Sibyl Katalenich; siblings, Greg (Ellen), Gloria (Neil) Huhn, Bruce and Mike along with numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. Daryl was preceded in death by his dad, Steven and brother, Jeffrey.

A private family memorial service will be held. Arrangements by the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. Memorial contributions may be given to St. Vincent Catholic Charities, 2800 W. Willow Street, Lansing, Michigan 48917.

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Thomas Kirby

Class of 1968

DATE OF PASSING: 7/18/2016

NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.



Kenneth Harold Kuepfer

Class of 1968

DATE OF PASSING: 5/11/1998

Birthdate: December 23, 1948
Birthplace: Lansing, Ingham County, Michigan, United States
Death: May 11, 1998 (49)
Lansing, Ingham County, Michigan, United States (Cardiac Arrest)
Place of Burial: Augusta, Kalamazoo County,
Michigan, United States



Robert Donald Leaf, Jr.

Class of 1968

DATE OF PASSING: 10/2/1985

NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.





Carol Ann Leitz Walker

May 10, 1950 — November 16, 2021 (Aged 71)

Carol Ann Walker, age 71, of Ithaca, MI, passed away Tuesday, November 16, 2021, at Hospice House of Mid-Michigan, Lansing, Michigan.

Funeral Services will be held at East Washington United Brethren Church, Ashley, Michigan at 2:00 P.M. on Saturday, November 20, 2021, with Pastor Jeff Reser officiating. Visitation will be held on Saturday, November 20, 2021 12 noon until the time of service.

Carol was born in Lansing, Michigan on May 10, 1950, the daughter of Louis A. and Leah (Fischer) Leitz. She graduated Grand Ledge High School with the class of 1968. Then she graduated from M.J. Murphy Beauty School in Lansing, Michigan in 1969. She married Roger Walker in 1975 on Christmas Day in Lansing, Michigan.

She was an instructor M.J. Beauty College in Mt. Pleasant, Michigan; Carol owned several beauty salons in Lansing and Ithaca, Michigan. She was a past president of Lansing Affiliate Cosmetology Association and the current president of Michigan Cosmetology Association. She enjoyed her church and liked singing and crafting. Carol was a people person who enjoyed many friends. She was a member of East Washington United Brethren Church.



She is survived by her husband, Roger Lee Walker, 1 daughter Sherrie and Shaun Johnson; 2 sons: Craig and Heather Morehouse; Scott and Amanda Morehouse; 7 grandchildren: Dustin and Megan Johnson, Autumn Johnson, Colin Morehouse, Sophia Morehouse, Leah Morehouse, Vivian Morehouse, and Joshua Morehouse; her sister Joy Leitz and her brother, Thomas and Kathy Leitz. She was predeceased by her parents, 1 sister Alice Leitz, and 1 brother Louis Leitz Jr.

Memorials may be made to East Washington United Brethren Church. Online condolences can be sent to www.smithfamilyfuneralhomes.com. The family is being served by Smith Family Funeral Homes, Ithaca, Michigan.



Edward Marks

Class of 1968

DATE OF PASSING: 12/19/2004

NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.



Larry Mattson

Class of 1968

DATE OF PASSING: 9/20/2005

NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.



Earnest "Ernie" S. May, Jr.

DATE OF PASSING: 3/28/2018

Class of 1968

Earnest S. May -- Potterville

Earnest "Ernie" S. May Jr., age 67, passed away on March 28, 2018. He was born April 25, 1950 in Dayton, TN, son to Ernest and Alberta May. He is survived by his wife of 47 years, Linda, children: Jessica (Jay) Wells, Rebecca May and Zachary May; grandchildren: Justin, Jordan, Jenna, Andrew, Savannah, Natalie, Easten, Carter and Madison; siblings: John (Terri), Richard (Leeanne), Julie (Neil), Roger, Ed (Laura), Tina and Paul; many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his infant son Andrew James, parents, and sister Bonnie.

Ernie was a gifted mechanic that enjoyed working on cars, tractors...anything with a motor. He was always tinkering with something or telling you about what he was currently working on. He loved spending time with his family and telling goofy jokes. He will be greatly missed.

Private family graveside service was held at Oakwood Cemetery, Grand Ledge. For those wishing, memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, 2469 Woodlake Circle Suite 100, Okemos, Michigan 48864, (517) 319-1054. The family is being served by the Peters & Murray Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. www.petersandmurrayfuneralhome.com



Charlotte McConnell

DATE OF PASSING: 4/1/2007

Class of 1968

NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.



Kenneth Dale McDaniel

DATE OF PASSING: 7/12/2002

Class of 1968

Birth 14 Apr 1950
Michigan, USA
Death 12 Jul 2002 (aged 52)
Lansing, Ingham County, Michigan, USA
Burial: Oakwood Cemetery
Grand Ledge, Eaton County, Michigan, USA



Kenneth D McDaniel (1950 - 2002) Kenneth D McDaniel was born on April 14, 1950. He died on July 12, 2002 at age 52. We know that Kenneth D McDaniel had been residing in Mulliken, Eaton County, Michigan.



Ruth Miller Buckley

DATE OF PASSING: 7/15/2010

Class of 1968

Ruth (Miller) Buckley -- Mulliken

Ruth D. Buckley, 60, died July 15, 2010, at her home with her family by her side. She was born May 5, 1950 in Lansing to Don and Ursula Miller. Surviving are her husband of 40 years, Robert; four children, Candice (Elmer) Gates, Erick (Vicki) Buckley, Heath Buckley and Meredith (Brian) Monaghan; 8 grandchildren; 3 step-grandchildren; 1 great-granddaughter; and a half-sister, Melanie Schrauben. Memorial service will be 11 a.m. Wednesday, August 11, 2010 at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Grand Ledge, with Pastor Richard K. McKenzie and Pastor Don Woolum officiating. Inurnment will follow at the Church's memorial garden. The family will receive friends from 9 - 11 a.m. at the church, prior to the service. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Ruth Buckley Memorial Fund, % Dart Bank, 1020 Charlevoix Dr., Grand Ledge, MI 48837. Arrangements by Barker-Leik Funeral Home, Mulliken.



Richard Mitchell

DATE OF PASSING: UNKNOWN

Class of 1968

NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.



Diane Lea MYERS Fisher

May 21, 1950 -- September 2, 2019 (Aged 69)

Diane Lea Myers (Fisher) of Beaver Falls, PA, formerly of Grand Ledge, MI, passed away on September 2, 2019 at the age of 69. She was born May 21, 1950 in Lansing, MI, daughter to Richard and Ettie (Sullivan) Myers. Diane worked as the office manager of her husband's company, Blackhawk Mechanical. Above anything else in life, family was most important to Diane. She loved them all dearly, enjoyed spending time with them, especially her beautiful grandchildren.

She will be greatly missed by her life partner of 25 years, Theodore "Ted", children, Jody (Alan) Barnes and Greg (Linda) Fisher, grandchildren: Melanie, Madison, Amanda, and Tyler; brother Rick (Ida) Myers, sister April Lynn (Melvin) Babbitt, nieces and nephews: Lucas, Lori, Tina, Tammi, and Anthony, and was preceded in death by her parents Richard and Ettie Myers and brother Denny Myers.

A funeral service will be held Saturday, September 7, 2019 - 11:00 a.m. at Peters & Murray Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. Interment at Wacousta Cemetery, Watertown Twp., Clinton County. Visitation will be held Friday from 5-7 p.m. at the funeral home. For those wishing, contributions made to any charity of choice will be greatly appreciated. Online condolences may be shared at www.petersandmurrayfuneralhome.com





John Charles Nichols

Class of 1968

Birth 1950
Death 8/26/1997 (aged 46–47)
Burial
Evergreen Cemetery
Lansing, Ingham County, Michigan, USA A

DATE OF PASSING: 8/26/1997



Linda Marie Olds

September 2, 1950 — February 12, 2021 (Aged 70)

Linda Marie Olds longtime Grand Ledge resident passed away at home on February 12, 2021. Linda was born September 2, 1950 in Lansing, Michigan to the late Lee Ernest and Eloise May (Hubbard) Olds. She graduated from Grand Ledge High School Class of 1968 and went on to work for Michigan National Bank in Grand Ledge for many years. Linda enjoyed spending time with her family and especially looked forward to time spent with her nieces and nephews. She was a member of the Grand Ledge First Congregation United Church of Christ and a proud member of the weekly card playing club.

She is survived by brothers, Ronald (Sue) and Glenn Olds; sister, Bonnie (Chuck) Thompson; nieces and nephews, Michael Olds, Brian Olds, Sarah (Jake) Clark, Pamela (Ted) Westfall) and Paul (Kari) Thompson along with several great nieces and nephews. Linda was preceded in death by her Nephew, Mark Olds.

A memorial service will be scheduled at a later time. Memorial contributions in Linda's name may be given to Elara Caring Hospice, 3100 West Road, #110, East Lansing, Michigan 48823 or Tri-County Office on Aging, Meals-On-Wheels, 5303 S. Cedar Street, Lansing, Michigan 48911 (<https://interland3.donorperfect.net/weblink/weblink.aspx?name=tcoa&id=1>) Arrangements by the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge.





Arvilee Wayne Pettit

Class of 1968

Arvilee "Arv" Pettit -- Grand Ledge -

DATE OF PASSING: 11/29/2017

Arvilee Wayne Pettit, born September 2, 1950, of Grand Ledge, passed away peacefully on November 29, 2017, at his cottage on Douglas Lake, 26 years to the day of his father's passing. He is remembered by all those who love him for his jovial smile, big hugs, and sense of humor that kept us all laughing. Our beloved Arv, otherwise referred to as Dad, Grandpa, Pops, Papa, Mr. P, Brother, Uncle, Big A and Coach joined his loved ones in Heaven alongside his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.



Arv was a longtime fixture of Grand Ledge athletics, graduate of Michigan State University, retiree of General Motors, photographer and seasoned driver's education instructor. Many remember Arv from his witty sports' articles in the Grand Ledge Independent and The Lansing State Journal, and his uncanny ability to catch a photo at the perfect moment. He is survived by his sons and daughter, Joe, Nick (Amber) and Brooke (Tim) , and his 13 grandchildren (Dakota, Austin, Lily, Beau, Ty, Tori, Alexis, Rachel, Jessica, Claudia, Olivia, Jack and Ella) who he adored and will carry on his legacy. He is also survived by his older brother John and other family members. His parents, Darwin and Leona

Pettit, and his brothers, Darwin and Mike, preceded him in death.

Arv will be remembered on Wednesday, December 6, 2017, at Peters and Murray Funeral, 301 E. Jefferson St., Grand Ledge. Visitation will be held from 9:00 a.m. until service time. The family also invites everybody to join them for a celebration of life luncheon at the Masonic Temple in Grand Ledge immediately following the service. As Coach would have wanted, guests are encouraged to wear their favorite Comet or Spartan attire. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Grand Ledge Athletics (funds to help support athletes unable to pay fees to play). Online condolences may be shared at www.petersand-murrayfuneralhome.co



Linda Marie Pohl Griffin

Class of 1968

DATE OF PASSING: 2/10/2019

Linda Marie Griffin age 68 of Ionia, MI formerly of Saranac, MI passed away February 10, 2019. She was born March 25, 1950 in Grand Ledge, MI the daughter of Anthony and Lorraine (Cook) Pohl. She married Charles Griffin in 1994 in St. Thomas. Linda graduated from Grand Ledge High School, Class of 1968. She worked as an Executive secretary at Amway for 38 years. She was a member of the American Legion Ladies Auxiliary Post 175 and Catholic Order of Foresters. Surviving are her loving husband of 25 years Charles Griffin of Ionia, children Robert (Julie) Wright of Ionia, Michael Wright of Ionia, Denise (Ken) Stickroe of Walker, Lynn (Ralph) Simone of Sparta, Sara (Mark) Schutte of Kentwood, Charles (Jessica) Griffin of Saranac and Elizabeth (Mike) McMahon of Clarksville; grandchildren Morgan, Matthew, Alexandria, Hailey, Collin, Declan, David, Taryn, Ashley and Hali; great grandchildren Avery and Kai; brothers David (Ann) Pohl of Bloomfield Hills, Steve Pohl of Grand Ledge, James (Lori) Pohl of Kalamazoo; sisters Susan (Mark) Melendy of Beverly Hills, MI and Theressa (Harold) Sattazahn of Mason. She was preceded in death by her parents and step-mother Ellen Pohl. Funeral services will be held at the Lake Funeral Home in Ionia on Thursday, February 14th at 1:00 p.m. Visitation will be Thursday from 11 a.m. until time of service at the funeral home. Those wishing may make memorial contributions to the Salvation Army. Online condolences may be made at www.lakefuneralhomes.com



James A. Pollock

DATE OF PASSING: 2/17/1983

Class of 1968

James A. Pollock, 5100 W. Willow Hwy., Grand Ledge, MI, age 34, passed away February 17, 1983 at a Lansing hospital. He was born January 13, 1949 in Des Moines, Iowa. He was a graduate of Grand Ledge High School, a veteran of the Vietnam Conflict having spent 4 years in the U.S. Navy. He was an employee of Sparrow Hospital. He is survived by 1 son, Michael; 1 daughter, Jennifer both of Portland; parents, Thomas & Mildred Pollock of Lansing, 2 brothers and sisters-in-law, Thomas K. Jr. and Sherry of Traverse City, Theodore A. and Ginny of Charleston, WV; sister and brother-in-law, Jeff and Elizabeth Andrews of Grand Ledge; 2 grandmothers, Mrs. Nina Pollock of Grand Ledge, Mrs. Mable Brown of Kingsley, MI; 2 nieces; 2 nephews; 6 uncles; 1 aunt and many close friends. Funeral services will be held Monday, February 21, 1983 at 2 pm from the Trinity United Methodist Church, Delta Township with Rev. Larry Sachau with cremation to follow at the Oakhill Crematory, Battle Creek. Friends may call at Peters and Murray Funeral Home, Grand Ledge until 12 noon Monday. The family suggests those wishing to make contributions to the Interferon Program, Sparrow Hospital, envelopes available at the funeral home.



Gary Dean Poole

DATE OF PASSING: 10/13/2001

Class of 1968

Birth 27 Aug 1949
Death 13 Oct 2001 (aged 52)
Burial: Rose Lawn Cemetery
Perry, Shiawassee County, Michigan, USA



Bruce Pratt

DATE OF PASSING: January 2015

Class of 1968

NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.

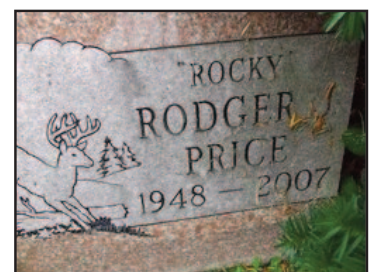


Rodger John "Rocky" Price

DATE OF PASSING: 7/21/2007

Class of 1968

BIRTH 6 Jun 1948
Fremont, Newaygo County, Michigan, USA
DEATH 21 Jul 2007 (aged 59)
Lansing, Ingham County, Michigan, USA
BURIAL Oakwood Cemetery
Grand Ledge, Eaton County, Michigan, USA



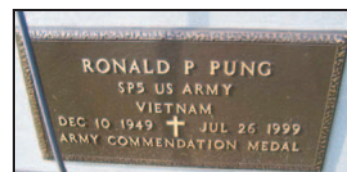


Ronald P. Pung

Class of 1968

Birth 1949
Death 7/26/1999 (aged 49–50)
Burial
North Eagle Cemetery
Eagle, Clinton County, Michigan, USA

DATE OF PASSING: 7/26/1999



Robert Howard Reedy

Class of 1968

Robert Howard Reedy, age 66, passed away Saturday, March 11, 2017 at Spectrum Health Special Care Hospital in Grand Rapids. He was born April 28, 1950 in Lansing, the son of Howard and Rhoda (Antcliff) Reedy. On May 9, 1969 he married Caroline Sue Barker. Robert was a graduate of Grand Ledge High School and attended Central Michigan University. He served his country in the US Navy during the Vietnam War. He was an engineer in the automotive electronics industry. He loved to fish in his younger years, and loved to coach his son's baseball and football teams. He enjoyed reading. He fought cancer for four years, never complaining, and had an unbelievable attitude. He always looked at the positive, never the negative.

He loved spending time with his family, and will be deeply missed, especially by his wife, Caroline "Sue" Reedy; son, Michael (Ruth) Reedy; daughter, Reva (James Carpenter) Reedy; grandchildren, James Howard Carpenter, Riley Clayton Carpenter, Abigail Elizabeth Carpenter, and Garrett Evans Carpenter; mother, Rhoda Reedy; brother, Kenneth (Carolyn) Reedy; and sisters-in-law, Rhonda Reedy and Rebecca Malburg. He was preceded in death by his father, Howard Reedy; son, William Reedy; and brother, Jeffery Reedy.

Memorial services will be held at 11:00 am Thursday, March 16, 2017 at Hurst Funeral Home, Pastor Jeff Davis of Langston Bible Church officiating. Military honors will be rendered under the auspices of the Ray I. Booth American Legion Post 101. Memorial contributions may be given to the American Cancer Society, and memories and messages of condolence may be shared at www.hurstfh.com.

DATE OF PASSING: 3/11/2017



Gary Allen Richey

August 29, 1950 - August 13, 2019 (Aged 68)

Gary A. Richey, born August 29, 1950 in Lansing, MI, passed away on August 13, 2019 at the age of 68. Gary was a union carpenter; well known as Tonto of Tonto and the Renegades, and together the band was inducted into the Michigan Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 2013.

Gary is survived by his wife of 43 years, Loritta, sons Jason (Tracy) Richey and Mark (Tonya) Richey; 6 grandchildren: Taylor, Everett, Rylen, Koah, Asher, and Zuriel; his loving mother, Beverly Vogel, stepmother Donna Richey; brothers: Dave (Jean), Ron Richey, Doug (Lynn), Larry (Patricia), stepsister Michelle Twitchell, stepbrother Mark Twitchell; many nieces and nephews, and was preceded in death by his father Gerald Richey.

Funeral services will be held Monday, August 19, 2019 – 1:00 p.m. at Peters & Murray Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. Visitations will be Sunday from 4-7 p.m. and Monday one hour prior to service. For those wishing, memorial contributions made to Lansing Teen Challenge will be greatly appreciated. Online condolences may be made at www.petersandmurrayfuneralhome.com





Roger Allen Roth

Class of 1968

DATE OF PASSING: 4/4/2019

Roger Allen Roth of Grand Ledge passed away April 4, 2019. Roger was born December 3, 1949 in Lansing to the late Roger L. and Wilma M. (Parsons) Roth. He graduated from Grand Ledge High School Class of 1968 and went on to serve in the U.S. Army during Vietnam. Roger was a decorated veteran receiving a Silver Star, Bronze Star and Purple Heart. He worked as a Supervisor at GM and for E.T. MacKenzie Co. Roger also worked for himself as a builder and owned a trucking company.

He is survived by son, Ben (Desiree); granddaughters, Alayna and Keira; siblings, Susan (Duane) Lilly, Carlene Heasley, Karen Miller, Jannell Roth, Douglas, Steven (Eileen) and Andrew (Tennille) Roth along with numerous nieces and nephews. Roger was preceded in death by infant brother Wesley and sisters, Sandra Seybold and Julie Rosenbaum.

According to Roger's wishes cremation has taken place and a private family service will be held at a later time. Memorial contributions may be given to the American Legion Post #48, Honor Guard Detail, 731 N. Clinton Street, Grand Ledge, Michigan 48837. Arrangements by the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge.



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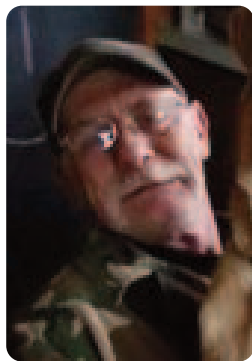
Stephen Wayne Rowell

April 22, 1949 — October 24, 2022 (Aged 73)

Stephen Wayne Rowell of Mulliken passed away October 24, 2022 at home peacefully, where he grew up and resided for over 70 years. Steve was born April 22, 1949 in Lansing, Michigan and was raised by his parents Alfred and Mary (Price) Rowell. He attended Grand Ledge High School and worked in various trades in building and construction. Steve was very creative and fabricator of many things. He loved to fish and spend time outdoors. He enjoyed spending time with his family and friends. He always made sure to make the time they had together fun and memorable. In his younger days he was known as 5 o'clock Charlie, for he would fly over grand ledge at 5 o'clock with his ultralight aircraft.

He is survived by his wife of 30 years, Cherie (Gilmore); children, Steve W. Rowell Jr., Stephanie Cherie Rowell, Crystal Rae (Robert) Klopp and Jamie Rae Westphal; grandchildren, Philip (Kaci) Tolan Jr., Shaun Tolan and Dani Rae Westphal, Katie Rowell, Ami Rowell, Ashley Rowell, and great grandson, Braxton

A cremation has taken place and celebration of life will be arranged at a later date. Arrangements by the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge.





Class of 1968

Larry Albert Schneeberger

November 30, 1949 — June 3, 2023 (Aged 73)

Larry Albert Schneeberger, 73, of Delta Township, MI passed away on June 3, 2023. He was born in Lansing, MI on November 30, 1949, son of Ronald and Oral (Stevens) Schneeberger. He graduated from Grand Ledge High School class of 1968, and worked at Main & Logan Shell and Montgomery-Wards Truck Tire center before starting for the State of Michigan, where he completed truck driver training school through Lansing Community College, and completed a successful truck driving career. Larry married the love of his life, Patricia, in 1986. He was a very handy man, even building his own home in 1984 and still lives there to this day. He enjoyed snowmobiling, mowing, and cutting wood. Larry enjoyed all forms of motorcycles; even belonging to the Lansing Motor Cycle Club and the American Motorcyclist Association; however, his true passion in life was dirt bikes. He competed at dirt bike races, and helped put on enduros.



He is survived by his loving wife Patricia (West) Schneeberger, daughter Tricia Schneeberger (Kenneth Martinez), sister Joy (Ron) Aves, nephew Todd (Chanda) Aves, and niece Mindy Aves. Larry is preceded in death by his parents.

A celebration of life visitation will be held Friday, June 16, 2023 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Mills Funeral Home, Peters & Murray Chapel. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in loving memory of Larry to the Capital Area Humane Society or The City Rescue Mission. The family is being served by the Mills Funeral Home, Peters & Murray Chapel, Grand Ledge. Online condolences may be placed at www.millsfuneral.com.



Melvin Eugene Sharrah

Class of 1968

Birth 30 Jan 1949
Grand Ledge, Eaton County, Michigan, USA
Death 25 Sep 2003 (aged 54)
Lansing, Ingham County, Michigan, USA
Burial: Oakwood Cemetery
Grand Ledge, Eaton County, Michigan, USA

DATE OF PASSING: 9/25/2003



Roger K. Sonnenberg

Class of 1968

Burial: Delta Center Cemetery
Grand Ledge, Eaton County, Michigan, USA

DATE OF PASSING: 5/24/1993



Kenneth A. Speigl

Class of 1968

Kenneth A. Speigl -- Grand Ledge

Mr. Kenneth A. Speigl, 62, born December 4, 1949, passed away on May 17, 2012. Ken served in the U.S. Air Force during Vietnam and retired from General Motors. He was an "Oldsmobile Man" and loved anything automotive. Survivors include his sister Karen (Stephen) Cessna, stepbrother Floyd (Linda) Conklin; nieces and nephews: Dawn Main, Sara (Todd) Weir, Chris (Wendy) Conklin, Mike Conklin, and Jane (Alex) Terrazas; also special friend Cindy Thornton, and was preceded in death by his parents, James and Mildred (Penzien) Speigl. A Memorial Service will be held Thursday, May 24, 2012 - 11:00 a.m. at the Peters & Murray Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. Memorial contributions made to Mid-Michigan Hospice House or the American Cancer Society will be greatly appreciated. Online condolences may be shared at www.petersandmurrayfuneralhome.com.

DATE OF PASSING: 5/17/2012



Randy Sproat

Class of 1968

Randy Sproat -- Mason

Randy was born July 9, 1950, in Lansing; he went to be with the Lord on June 5, 2011, at the age of 60. He graduated from Grand Ledge High School and was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force. Randy loved spending time with his family and friends and enjoyed fishing, traveling, photography and aviation. He was preceded in death by his mother, Edla. Surviving are his loving wife, Patti; daughters, Kimberly (Hatim) Alem and Kelly (Dustin) Taylor; his father, Olin Sproat; and his sister, Marty (Bill) Fleser. Funeral services will be held Thursday, June 9, at 10 a.m. at the Gorsline Runciman Funeral Homes, 621 S. Jefferson St., Mason. Interment will follow in Hawley Cemetery, Vevay Township. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Wednesday from 6-8 p.m. and on Thursday 1-hour prior to the service. Those desiring may make contributions to the American Heart Association, Memorials and Tributes Lockbox, 3816 Paysphere Circle, Chicago, IL, 60674, or to the American Cancer Society, 3100 West Rd., Bldg. B., Suite 110, East Lansing, MI, 48823, in memory of Randy Sproat. Online condolences may be sent to www.gorslineruncimanmason.com

DATE OF PASSING: 6/5/2011





Thomas R. Teel

Class of 1968

DATE OF PASSING: 11/23/2012

THOMAS R. TEEL -- ESSEX JUNCTION



Thomas R. Teel, 62, of Essex Junction died on Friday, Nov. 23, 2012, in the Fletcher Allen Health Care in Burlington. He was born in Lansing, Mich., on Jan. 8, 1950, the son of Victor and Margaret (Scott) Teel. He was educated in the Grand Ledge, Mich., public schools and received his bachelor's degree from Bridgewater State University. Tom was a veteran of Vietnam having served in the U.S. Navy as a Corpsman. He was employed at the University of Vermont College of Medicine as a Research Facilities Specialist. He recently celebrated 30 years with UVM. Tom was considered the "go-to" person at UVM. Tom was a true professional in the best sense of the word. He had a deep understanding of the mission and the needs of the faculty and the staff and could link that with a comprehensive knowledge of the facilities and the people that staffed those facilities. The result was a unique ability to maximize both opportunities and productivity to the benefit of the College, the University, and the State. Because of his competence, professionalism and wonderful nature, Tom was able to get along with virtually everyone and achieve things that would have been impossible for most others. He was a member of the American Legion Post #91 in Colchester. He also served as Village Trustee for numerous years in Jeffersonville. On July 18, 1987, he was married in Jeffersonville to Joanne May (Stacy). He was a great woodcarver and an awesome cook. He had a very unique sense of humor, loved to dance and taught his wife how to dance and he loved his new sports car, "Zelda", but did not teach his wife to drive her. He shared his birthday with his idol, Elvis! Tom is survived by his wife of 25 years, Joanne Teel of Essex Junction; his daughter, Sara Teel of Jeffersonville; his stepdaughter, Cheryl LeDuc and husband, Jason, of Burlington; three grandchildren, Aidan, Elliott and Allesandra (Alle); one brother, David Teel and wife, Bonny, of Tucson, Ariz.; one sister, Sue Jones and husband, John, of Oreana, Idaho; also many nieces and nephews. There will be no visiting hours. Funeral services will be held on Friday, Nov. 30, 2012, at 11 a.m. in the Essex First Congregational Church. Burial will be at the convenience of the family. To send online condolences, please visit www.readyfuneral.com. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in his memory to the National MS Society, Greater New England Chapter, P.O. Box 845945, Boston, MA 02284-5945.



Kenneth L. Thorn

Class of 1968

DATE OF PASSING: 4/22/2009

BIRTH 1 Jan 1950
 DEATH 22 Apr 2009 (aged 59)
 BURIAL Martiny Township Cemetery
 Mecosta County, Michigan, USA





Karen Tillitson Truitt

Class of 1968

DATE OF PASSING: 4/10/2017

Karen Tillitson Truitt, 67 of Salisbury, passed away peacefully in her sleep at home early Monday April 10, 2017. Born March 9, 1950 in Lansing MI, she was the daughter of the late W.J. and Olive Tillitson.

She moved to the Eastern Shore shortly after meeting her now husband on a High School Graduation trip to Ocean City. Karen was a devoted mother, and loving grandmother as well as being deeply involved with her church.

She is Survived by her devoted and loving husband of 46 years Allen Thomas Truitt: two sons Bryce Allen Truitt and Jason Thomas Truitt; as well as a grand-daughter Bailey Nichole Truitt, and brother David Tillitson.

A memorial service is being held on April 16, 2017 at 10:30am in conjunction with the regular service at Fruitland Christian Church, 605 St. Lukes Rd, Fruitland, MD.

Donations in memory of can be contributed to the Coastal Hospice, PO Box 1733, Salisbury, MD 21802, and the Fruitland Christian Church, 605 St. Lukes Rd., Fruitland, MD 21826.

Arrangements are in the care of Holloway Funeral Home, 501 Snow Hill Rd., Salisbury, MD 21804. To send condolences to the family please visit www.hollowayfh.com. Published in The Daily Times on Apr. 14, 2017



James C. "Jim" Townsend

March 17, 1950 — February 5, 2022 (Aged 71)

James C. Townsend of Titusville, Florida passed away in his sleep on February 5, 2022. Jim is survived by his sister Linda.

(NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE AT THE TIME OF HIS PASSING.)





Barbara Warner

Class of 1968

DATE OF PASSING: UNKNOWN

NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.



Kevin Russell Webb

Class of 1968

DATE OF PASSING: 1/8/2012

Kevin Russell Webb, of Lansing, passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, January 8, 2012 at the age of 61. Kevin was born June 30, 1950 to Russell Webb and Yvonne Lawrence in Grand Ledge, MI. Kevin graduated from Grand Ledge High School and later moved to Lansing where he spent the remainder of his life. Kevin worked for Hager Fox and spent the last 16 years working for Woodwork Designs as an office manager. He was the president of the Old Forest Neighborhood Association and was honored with the Bea Christy award in 2000 for his volunteer work. Kevin loved antiquing and was an avid collector. He is preceded in death by his parents and brother Lanny Webb. Surviving Kevin are his partner of 20 years, Larry Karn; sons, Nathan Webb, Derek Webb; and many nieces, nephews, and cousins. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, January 14, 2012 at 12:00 p.m. the family will receive friends at the funeral home at 10:00 a.m. Kevin was a very thoughtful and caring person who will be greatly missed by everyone who knew him. Memorial contributions may be made in honor of Kevin to the American Diabetes Association 1660 Duke St. Alexandria, VA 22314. For online condolences please visit www.ChapelInThePinesFuneralHome.com





Class of 1968

Clyde Douglas Weir

December 4, 1949 — October 15, 2023 (Aged 73)

Clyde Douglas Weir, born on December 4, 1949, in Lansing, Michigan, passed away on October 15, 2023, in DeWitt, Michigan, at the age of 73. He was the son of Sid and Catherine Weir.

Clyde was a dedicated husband, married to Patricia Ann Weir for 35 years. He pursued his education at Western Michigan University and embarked on a diverse career that included working for the Detroit Tigers, AT&T, and GTE. However, his true passion lay in baseball, and he proudly served as a Tigers baseball scout for an impressive 37 years. He was also inducted into the MASA Softball Hall of Fame in 2002. Clyde's deep love for the Tigers was not only a profession but a family legacy. He instilled a strong sense of competitiveness in his children, creating a true baseball family.

Throughout his life, Clyde and his family lived in various locations across the Lansing area and different parts of Michigan, creating memories in Grand Ledge, Washington, Mt. Pleasant, Allendale, Portland and DeWitt.

Clyde is survived by his loving wife, Patricia Weir, and his children, Angela Weir, Jennifer (Don) Johnson, Douglas, and Kelly Weir, and his ex-wife Terry Weir. He was a cherished papa to Zach Weir, Donny Johnson, Dylan Johnson, Kate Johnson, and Patrick Weir. Clyde is also remembered by his mother, Catherine Weir, and his siblings, Thomas Weir, Joseph Weir, and Linda Weir. He leaves behind nieces and nephews, Chris and Kimberly Weir, Kelly and Matt Krause, Jason and Jolene Bramer.

Clyde Douglas Weir was an extraordinary husband, father, and papa. He possessed a remarkable and outgoing personality, always radiating positivity. His love for life, baseball, and his family touched the lives of many. Clyde will be deeply missed, but his memory will continue to shine brightly in the hearts of all who knew him.

A celebration of Clyde's life will be held on Tuesday, October 24, 2023 from 2pm until 5pm at The Pizza House (4790 Hagadorn Rd, East Lansing).



Thomas M. Williams

Class of 1968

Thomas M. Williams -- Grand Ledge

DATE OF PASSING: 12/31/2015

Thomas M. Williams of Grand Ledge, a loving husband, father, grandfather, brother and friend passed away unexpectedly December 31, 2015. Tom was born January 10, 1950 in Lansing, Michigan to the late James A. and Betty A. (Collins) Williams. He was a Grand Ledge High School graduate Class of 1968, a Vietnam Army veteran and retired mail carrier in Grand Ledge for thirty-four years. Tom loved to tinker out in his barn whether it was helping a friend repair a vehicle, woodworking, hanging up a clock or license plate he had collected or just smoking a cigar. He was also a huge U of M fan.

Tom is survived by his loving wife of over thirty-six years, Bettie (White); children, Megan Williams, Nate (Sara) Williams and Lindsey (Ryan) Lillywhite; grandchildren, Connor, Faith, Brady and Brooke; brothers, James "Mike" (Cindy) and Randy (Londa) along with several nieces and nephews.

A celebration of Tom's life will be held Thursday, January 7, 2016, 11am at the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge with Pastor Chuck Foerster of the Immanuel Lutheran Church, officiating. Memorial gathering will be Wednesday from 6-8:00pm at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be given to the Wounded Warrior Project, P.O., Box 758517, Topeka, Kansas 66676. Share your memories and condolences online at www.holihanatkin.com





Laura WILSON Modena

DATE OF PASSING: October 2018

Laura Wilson Modena died in October 2018 in Portland, Oregon of ovarian cancer. Her niece's Facebook page acknowledged her passing. Laura was an art teacher at an alternative high school in Portland OR for many years. She was very interested in spiritualism and owned a self-made jewelry business with her daughter during the last year of her life. She went to Greenwood elementary school and was a 1968 Grand Ledge High School graduate.



Stephen Wilton

Class of 1968

Birth 12 May 1950
Eaton County, Michigan, USA
Death 14 Mar 1988 (aged 37)
Grand Rapids, Kent County, Michigan, USA
Burial: Oakwood Cemetery
Grand Ledge, Eaton County, Michigan, USA

DATE OF PASSING: 3/14/1988

Helicopter pilot in Vietnam. Went back to school several years after returning and became an elementary school teacher. Died of Hodgkin's disease. Per US Dept. of Veterans Affairs: "Veterans who develop Hodgkin's disease (also called Hodgkin's lymphoma) and were exposed to Agent Orange or other herbicides during military service do not have to prove a connection between their disease and military service to be eligible to receive VA health care and disability compensation". The Institute of Medicine (IOM) of the National Academy of Sciences concluded in its 1994 report on "Veterans and Agent Orange: Health Effects of Herbicides Used in Vietnam" and in future updates that there is sufficient evidence of a positive association between exposure to the herbicides used in Vietnam and the development of Hodgkin's disease." This policy was not in effect at the time of Stephen's illness and death.

Steve was greatly loved and respected by his friends and family, especially by many from his Class of 1968 at Grand Ledge High School in Grand Ledge, Michigan.



David Bandy Wiseman

Class of 1968

David Bandy Wiseman -- Elfrida, AZ

David, formerly of Grand Ledge, was born April, 13, 1950 in Lansing, MI. He passed away on October 23, 2009, at age 59. He is survived by his two sons, Jeremy (Rachel) Wiseman of DeWitt and Justin (Erica) Wiseman of Grand Ledge, and 5 grandchildren. Dave grew up in Grand Ledge where he was the former owner of H&G Steel before moving to Arizona several years ago. Services are Monday November 9, 2009, at 11:00 a.m. at Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens 4444 W. Grand River Ave., Lansing, 48906.

DATE OF PASSING: 10/23/2009





Russell C. Woodruff

DATE OF PASSING: 12/6/2014

Class of 1968

Russell C. Woodruff, 64, passed away Saturday, December 6, 2014 in Fort Wayne. Born in Lansing, MI, Russell graduated from Grand Ledge High School and then completed his Bachelor's degree from Michigan State University. Russell worked as a grounds supervisor with Fort Wayne Parks & Recreation Department for 25 years, retiring in 2013. He was an avid golfer, and enjoyed spending time with his family. Surviving are his wife, Susan Woodruff of Fort Wayne; daughter, Rebecca (Travis) Whitman of Fort Wayne; grandson, Tyrus Whitman; and granddaughter, Skylar Whitman both of Fort Wayne; brothers, Duane (Cheryl) Woodruff of The Villages, FL; Cecil (Karen) Woodruff of Canadian Lakes, MI; and Roger (Rita) Woodruff of Saint Johns, MI; brothers-in-law Gary (Carol) LaCross; Ron (Sally) LaCross; and Dave (Carol) LaCross. Russell was preceded in death by his son, Matthew Woodruff; and his parents, Albert and Myrtle Woodruff. Service is 2 pm, Saturday, December 13, 2014 at D.O. McComb & Sons Pine Valley Park Funeral Home, 1320 East Dupont Rd with calling 1hr prior. Calling also Friday, December 12, 2014, from 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm & 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the Russell Woodruff Memorial Fund to benefit the Fort Wayne Parks and Recreation. To sign the online guest book, go to www.domccombandsons.com.



Raemelee Wright Garrison

July 16, 1950 — June 11, 2021 (Aged 70)

Raemie left this world at noon on June 11, 2021 after having entered on July 16, 1950. We had nearly 70 years to delight in being with this glorious soul. She fought courageously for several years against an auto immune disease that finally took our dear one.

She was deeply loved by her sister, Ginger, who took excellent care of Raemie when she needed it most. Raemie joins the rest of her family...her parents Raymond Wright and Leona Kunkle and brothers Jody and KO...leaving Ginger to carry the torch. No service is being planned.



Raemie grew up in Grand Ledge, Michigan, graduating from Grand Ledge High School in 1968. One of her truest passions was our environment. She was in heaven when she landed a job with the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, leaving DEQ to establish her own environmental quality consulting business in the Greater Detroit area.

Raemie and merriment were good friends. Her smile was our light while mischief played in the shadows. Following are bits of Raemie as described by her countless friends:

"Raemie's wonderfully whimsical sense of humor was a breath of fresh air."

"She was a tad rambunctious...forever acted like a kid, as was described in her 'Hippie Chic Chronicles.'"

"She made a difference."

"A vibrant, vivacious woman with a quick wit and a lot of moxie."

A friend shared a poem, "The Ponds," by Mary Oliver. This excerpt encapsulates our Raemie.

"...Still, what I want in my life
is to be willing
to be dazzled—
to cast aside the weight of facts
and maybe even
to float a little
above this difficult world.
I want to believe I am looking
into the white fire of a great mystery.
I want to believe that the imperfections are nothing—
that the light is everything—that it is more than the sum
of each flawed blossom rising and falling. And I do."

Raemie...willing to be dazzled as she dazzled us. We were so lucky to have been present in HER light. Fly high, Raemie....we'll listen for your laughter among the stars. We loved you well.

Memorial contributions may be made to Ginger Wright, 501 S Lakeshore Drive, Lake City, MI 49651.