

# THOSE PASSED FROM THE CLASS OF 1971

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Louann M. Emick (2004 -- 8/15/2004)

Karlyn M. "FEIGHNER" Cierlik (2022 -- 5/3/2022)

Victor "Vic" E. Feighner (1992 -- 2/7/1992)

Hartley Chester Finstrom (2009 -- 10/22/2009)

James Lee Fox (2013 -- 12/23/2013)

Charles G. Frederick (2001 -- 7/27/2003)

Stefani L. FUNTUKIS DeJong (1990 -- 1/8/1990)

James "Jimmy" Galvin (2008 -- 9/26/2008)

Gaylord Dean Glendenning (2014 -- 5/18/2014)

Joel Allen Goldenberg (2001 -- 1/1/2001)

Douglas "Doug" D. Gunn (1986 -- 10/13/1986)

Steven L. Hultberg (2019 -- 12/4/2019)

Jeffery "Jeff" K. Katalenich (1971 -- 8/26/1971)

Frederick "Fred" W. Kebler (2010 -- 11/16/2010)

Jeffery Kebler (2015 -- 8/6/2015)

Ronald "Ron" Kelso (1993 -- 3/18/1997)

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David Lee Kempf (1997 -- 8/7/1997)
             Cecil Delbert Kirchen, Jr. (2011 -- 4/29/2011)
          Alice Marguerite LOVAAS Page (2021 -- 4/2/2021)
              John R. MacDougall, III (1971 -- 6/14/1971)
                Larry K. Maloney (1971 -- 11/13/1996)
             Marie "MANNING" Slusser (2017 -- 5/1/2017)
            Suzanne Kay MASSIE Grant(2013 -- 5/19/2013)
                Dennis L. Matson (2018 -- 9/13/2018)
                Gary L. McAllister (2013 -- 3/31/2013)
            Larry Wendrow McQueen (2005 -- 10/2/2005)
              Donald Brian Meacham (1999 -- 6/7/1999)
             Gregory Lawrence Miller (2020 -- 10/1/2020)
              Jessica Ann NORRIS Hill (2022 -- 5/7/2022)
               James Edward Otis (2024 -- 2/26/2024)
           Nedra Helen PENFIELD Yuker (2014 -- 7/11/2014)
           Peggy Ann PION Richmond (2018 -- 2/22/2018)
                 Phillip R. Putney (2022 -- 4/2/2022)
               James "Jim" E. Reed ( 2004 -- 1/28/2004 )
             Jeffrey "Jeff" Bryan Reedy (2003 -- 1/19/2003)
               Darwin Ray Robbins (1997 -- 8/31/1997)
             David Eugene Robbins (2007 -- 10/20/2007)
            Julie Ann ROTH Rosebohm (1991 -- 5/24/1991)
               Jeanette M. Schultz (1986 -- 8/18/1986)
             Carolyn SHARP Meister (1993 -- 3/23/1993)
Lester Allen Shugars (2014 -- NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.)
                  Kerry Simons (2018 -- 7/20/2018)
             Toni Lynn SMITH Combs (2021 -- 2/15/2021)
                 James F. Staffen (1988 -- 2/25/1998)
           Cynthia Kay SUBOSKI Brown (2022 -- 9/30/2022)
               James "Jim" A. Taylor (2008 -- 7/21/2008)
               Robert B. Thompson (2015 -- 3/17/2015)
                 Michael E. Treloar (2017 -- 5/2/2017)
         Deborah Ann WEATHERBY Young (2020 -- 2/10/2020)
             Roberta K. WIGHT Beagle (2003 -- 6/22/2003)
            Donald "Don" H. Wiseman (2009 -- 9/16/2009)
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### **Charles "Chuck" Gordon Allen**

DATE OF PASSING: October 17, 2020 (Aged 67)

Lansing, MI - Charles "Chuck" Gordon Allen, age 67, of Lansing, Michigan, passed away on October 17, 2020. Chuck was born in Lansing, Michigan, the son of Gordon Allen and Caroline (Bancroft) Hoeflinger. He retired from Meijer after 32 years and finished his career as a union representative with UFCW 951. In his free time, he was a founding member of the Chucky Bunch Camping Group, he enjoyed golf, camping, hunting with his friend Ed Clark, playing softball for Corey's Lounge, Spartan Sports, and he especially enjoyed a cold beer with friends.

Chuck is survived by his wife of 18 years, Mary (LeVeck) Allen; children: Kayla (Kurt) Schaaf, James (Sherri) Allen, and Misty (Benjamin) Simmers-Trann; grandchildren, Grace Schaaf and Emily Schaaf; sister, Sue Allen; many loving brothers and sisters-in-law; and many nieces and nephews. Chuck was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Robert; and sister, Barbara.

The family would like to extend a special thank you for the love and care they received from Vickers Funeral Homes, Mid-Michigan Mortuary Transport, Inc., and hospice nurse, Melinda Brown.

True to Chuck's memory, a Bonfire Celebration of Life will take place. In lieu of flowers, crack a beer, vote Democrat, or please consider memorial contributions to Pancreatic Cancer Action Network, 1500 Rosecrans Ave, Ste 200, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266, or online at www.pancan.org. Arrangements entrusted to Vickers Leslie Funeral Home, 109 N. Church Street/P.O. Box 503, Leslie, MI 49251.



John E. Aseltine
June 4, 1952 — February 17, 2017 (Aged 64)

John E. Aseltine was born on June 4, 1952 and passed away on Friday, February 17, 2017. John was a resident of Grand Ledge, Michigan at the time of passing. No services were held.

(NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.)



**Dianne Auvenshine Jacobs** 

May 20, 1953 — October 28, 2021 (Aged 68)

Dianne Jacobs, 68, a long time resident of the Port Richey area, passed away on October 28, 2021, surrounded by her family and friends. Dianne worked as a hair stylist for the better part of four decades, accumulating so many friends and dedicated clientele. She leaves behind her husband Sam Jacobs, son Ryan Auvenshine, close family members and many dear friends and close business associates.

There are no services scheduled at this time.



## **Cynthia Kay Bair-Martin**

**December 16, 1962 — January 2, 2004 (aged 51)** 

Cindi Bair-Martin, 51, passed away Jan. 2 at Charlotte.

She was born at the residence where she lived Dec. 16, 1952 the daughter of Hazel Fern Smith and Alva Roy Bair. Cindi was an employee of Tractor Supply Company, Delta Township Store. She was a 1971 graduate of Grand Ledge High School. Cindi was a life-long resident in the Grand Ledge area. She grew up on a dairy farm, which was in the family for four generations. She was a very avid deer hunter, enjoyed sports and the outdoors with her horses, which she showed

and went to parades with. She belonged to the Percheron Horse Association, American Quarter Horse Association, American Quarter Horse Association, Eaton County Draft Horse and Pont Club, Eaton County Sheriff Department Mounted Division, the Moose Lodge #288, Moose Motorcycle Club and the Grand Ledge Fire Department. Cindi was a member of the Bible Missionary Church of Grand Ledge.

She was predeceased by her father, Alva Roy Bair in 1976 and sister, Bonnie Sue Bair in 1964.

Survivors include her husband, Dan; sons, Nicholas Alva of Eagle, John Patrick of Grand Ledge; daughter, Melissa Ann of Grand Ledge; one grandson and one granddaughter; mother, Hazel Rose of Mason; brother, Stephen Charles Bair of Potterville; stepmother and stepfather, June (Bob) Conrad of Grand Ledge; half-sister, Jennifer Rose of Adrian, two half-brothers; and many, many special friends.

Services were held Jan. 6 at Peters & Murray Funeral Home, Grand Ledge with Rev. Jack Shell of the Bible Missionary Church officiating. Interment followed at the Pioneer Cemetery, Oneida Township.

Contributions to the Eaton Community Hospice would be appreciated.



**Gregory C. Bannan**September 16, 1952 -- July 17, 2019 (Aged 66)

Gregory C. Bannan, age 66 of Perry, passed away Wednesday, July 17, 2019 at Sparrow Health Systems in Lansing. Cremation has taken place and there will be no services at this time. His family is being served by Watkins Brothers Funeral Homes, Perry Chapel.

Gregory was born September 16, 1952 in Lansing to the late Donald and June (Hart) Bannan. He attended Grand Ledge High School graduating in 1971. He married Kathy Jones in Lansing on March 4, 1972 and together raised 4 children. Prior to his retirement, Gregory worked

for General Motors for 34 years at Plant 3 in Lansing, retiring as a crane operator.

Mr. Bannan is survived his wife of 47 years, Kathy; 4 children: Deborah Bannan, Christian (Stacey) Bannan, Jeremy Bannan, Tara Bannan; 10 grandchildren: Mecquella, Darien, Brynna, Gregor, Ian, Abby, Keeghan, Jake, Liam, Ethan; 1 great grandson, Grayson; 2 brothers: Dennis (Margaret) Marshall, Gary Marshall; 2 step-brothers: Terry Hazlewood and David Hazlewood.

He was preceded in death by his parents; step-mother, Delores Pratt; step-father, Wiiliam Marshall; sister, Patricia Kelley and grandson, Evan Bannan.

Online condolences may be shared with Gregory's family by going to www.watkinsfuneralhomes.com



### **William Lee Barber**

July 20, 1951 — August 29, 2020 (Aged 69)

Charlotte – William Lee Barber, 69, of Charlotte, MI, formerly of Big Rapids, passed away Saturday, August 29, 2020.

He was born July 20, 1951, in Lansing, the son of Benning and Gloria (Howe) Barber, and graduated from Grand Ledge High School in 1971. William loved to ride his bike and mo-ped. He was a faithful member of the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses.

William is survived by his siblings, Debbra Courter, Ben (Lori) Barber, Robert (Debra) Barber, and Renee (Paul) Curtiss; 1 niece and 8 nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and brother-in-law Craig W. Courter.

Private family services will be at Highland View Cemetery in Big Rapids where William will be laid to rest next to his parents. Care and arrangements are entrusted to the Mohnke Funeral Home in Big Rapids. Share memory or express condolences at mohnkefuneralhome.com.



Ronald "Ron" L. Bliesener

June 21, 1953 — February 15, 1991 (Aged 38)

CAUSE OF DEATH: Diabetes.

(From a newspaper article from February 16, 1991.)

Ronald L. Bliesener, Lansing, age 37, died Friday, February 15, 1991 at his residence.

He was a Capital Security Officer with the Michigan Department of State Police for the past nine years.

Surviving are 2 daughters, Stephanie V. and Cheri Bliesener, both of Muskegon; his mother and step-father, Lois and Jerry Lee of Lansing; father and step-mother, Pat and Delores Bliesener of Lansing; 2 brothers, Gene of Holt and Jeff Bliesener of Eagle; 1 sister, Kim Lee of Lansing; grandmothers, Elizabeth Bliesener and Marie Moore, both of Lansing; several aunts and uncles.

Funeral services will be held Sunday, 2:00 p.m. at Chapel In The Pines Funeral Home.

Honor Guard will be furnished by the Michigan State Police.

In Lieu of flowers, the family requests that contributions be made to the Michigan Diabetic Fund. The family will receive friends Saturday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. at the Chapel In The Pines Funeral Home. 101 W. Jolly.



Kathryn "Joyce" Brown
April 22, 1954 — February 7, 2001 (Aged 47)

CAUSE OF DEATH: Natural Causes.

(From an article in the Grand Ledge Independent — February 22, 2001.)

Kathryn Joyce Brown, 47, of Las Vegas, formerly of Grand Ledge, died February 7, 2001. Kathryn was a Grand Ledge High School graduate, class of 1971, and attended Michigan State University.

She was preceded in death by her father, James in 1992. She is survived by her mother, Helen Mitchell Brown of Grand Ledge; brother, Alex (Peg) Brown of Eagle; nephew, Kyle Brown and niece, Jennie Brown.

Private family services were held. Arrangements were handled by Holihan-Atkin Funeral Home, Grand Ledge.



#### **Vera Brum Marflak**

December 8, 1952 — May 18, 2018 (Aged 65)

Vera Brum Marflak, age 65, of Brighton, MI, passed away May 18, 2018. She was born December 8, 1952, in Lansing, MI, to Michael and Barbara Brum.

The funeral service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, May 25, 2018, at Emanuel First Evangelical Lutheran Church, 1001 N. Capitol Ave., Lansing. Interment will follow in Evergreen Cemetery. Her family will receive friends from 2-4 and 5:30-7:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 24th at the Estes-Leadley Greater Lansing Chapel.



# Irl "Joe" Joseph Bryant

August 7, 1953 — December 17, 2011 (Aged 58)

CAUSE OF DEATH: Complications of pneumonia; related to spinal cord injury.

(Information obtained from a classmate — Bill Bala)

Joe graduated from Grand Ledge High School in 1971. He grew up on Jenne Street and his father owned Bob Bryant Ford in Grand Ledge. Shortly after graduating Joe entered the United States Marine Corps where it was his ambition to go into recon once he graduated from basic

training. One of his training officers talked him out of it telling him that his IQ was too high, and he was needed elsewhere. That put him on the path to programming and writing software. His principle duty station was on Okinawa and Joe attained the rank of E-5. After leaving the marines he went to Oberlin College in 1975 or 1976. It was there where he took up playing Rugby, it was while he was playing Rugby that Joe incurred an injury that left him a quadriplegic. After his injury he went to live with his sister and brother-in-law in Grand Ledge. After that he lived in a facility in Oregon, when his health started to deteriorate he was transferred to a place in the South.

Will end with a quote from Bill Bala ... "He was my Bud. He generally had more talent available than could be put to use wherever he was and felt the urge to keep moving. And still is. Semper Fi Bud, see ya on the flip side."



# **Thomas William Buell**

February 2, 1953 — September 24, 2020 (Aged 67)

Thomas William Buell, 67, of Grand Ledge, MI, born February 2, 1953 in Lansing, MI, passed away September 24, 2020, son of Robert and Dolores (Bush) Buell. Thomas was a Veteran of the Army Airborne Division and worked as a crane operator. He was known for his love of music.

Thomas is survived by his daughter, Chelsea Buell; son, Cody Buell; brother, Timothy Buell; sister, Tina Buell. He is predeceased by his parents Bob and Dolores Buell.

Cremation has taken place. The family has entrusted arrangements to Peters & Murray Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. Online condolences may be shared at www.petersandmurrayfuneral-home.com





# **Larry Burton**

January 25, 1952 — September 8, 2009 (Aged 57)

CAUSE OF DEATH: Cancer.

BURIAL: Meadowbrook Cemetery
Mulliken, Michigan
Military Honors given by the Marines and the Portland V.F.W

(From an article in a local newspaper — September 13, 2009.)

Larry Burton, 57, of Sunfield, died September 8, 2009, at his home.

Larry was born January 25, 1952 in Hazard, Kentucky, son of Denzil and Mary Jean (Combs) Burton. He was a Marine Vietnam Veteran and a retired truck driver. Preceding him in death were his father and step-mother, Denzil and Rose Burton; sister Rebecca Reed; and brother, Troy Burton. Surviving are his wife, Sarah; stepchildren, Sarah Kristofferson (Mark McGill) of Okemos, Tammie (Doug) Smith of Mason, Svend Kristofferson of Fort Hood, Texas, Cory (Tim) Baxter of Lakewood, Colorado; step-grandchildren, Hunter, Chloe, Hailee, Naomi and Logan; his mother, Mary Jean Burton of Dimondale; brothers, Todd (Erica) Burton of Sunfield, Dennis Burton of Grand Marais, New Mexico, and Rick (Tina) Burton of Durand; and sister, Tammy (Tim) Kelley of Dimondale.

Services were held September 12, 2009 at Barker-Leik Funeral Home, Mulliken, with Pastor Dave Leisman officiating. Military Honors were given by the Marines and the Portland V.F.W., burial followed at Meadowbrook Cemetery in Mulliken.



# Patricia Lou "Patti" CAMPBELL Tompkins

January 16, 1953 — November 29, 1999 (Aged 46)

CAUSE OF DEATH: Cancer.

BURIAL: Tutle Cemetery Ionia, Michigan

(From an article in the Grand Ledge Independent.)

Patricia Lou Campbell Tompkins passed away Monday, November 29, 1999 at her home.

Patricia Lou Campbell was born January 16, 1953 in Lansing, the daughter of L.D. Clyde and Grace (Asch) Campbell. She was married February 5, 1977 in Ionia to Frank Tompkins. Patti worked for Motor Wheel, Compulink, was a homemaker for Social Services and co-founded the Ionia Pregnancy Crisis Center of which she was past President. Mrs. Tompkins was very active in the community and will be greatly missed by her friends and family.

Patti is survived by her husband, Frank; three sons, Clyde Tompkins of Grand Ledge, David Tompkins and Jeffery Tompkins of Ionia; her mother Grace (Asch) Campbell of Grand Ledge; one sister, Barbara (Bob) Hogue of Grand Rapids; one brother, Floyd (Diane) Campbell of Grand Ledge and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her father, L.D. Clyde in 1990.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, December 2, at 3:30 p.m. from Myers Memorial Chapel, Ionia with Rev, Lewis Adamson officiating.

Interment will be in Tutle Cemetery. Visiting hours will be Wednesday from 2-4 and 7-8:30 p.m. from Myers Memorial Chapel. Memorial contributions may be made to the Tompkins Family.





### **Preston Stewart Childs**

September 12, 1953 — August 8, 2021 (Aged 67)

Preston Stewart Childs, 67, of Eaton Rapids, formerly of Grand Ledge, MI, passed away on August 8, 2021. He was born September 12, 1953 in Lansing, MI, son of Richford "Wayne" and Maureen (Wellman) Childs. Preston was retired from the Michigan National Guard and Verizon (former GTE) Phone Company; owned and operated with his wife, Home Helpers Home Care in Grand Ledge. He was a lifetime member of the Grand Ledge First United Methodist Church, former Sunday School Teacher and Boys Scout Leader, and a proud Mason, Past Worshipful Master with a lifelong involvement with the Grand Ledge Masonic Lodge #179 F. & A.M. He loved to read, enjoyed history, running, farming and spending time with his family. Preston was a man of great faith, mentor to so many; very giving of his time and compassion helping others, and had the greatest love for his family.

Preston is preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his loving wife of 39 years, Dorothy; children: Betsy Childs, John Childs, and Julia Childs; granddaughter Emma Bryner and sister, Michele Childs.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 12, 2021 at the Grand Ledge Masonic Temple, 200 W. River St, Grand Ledge, MI. Military Graveside Services will be held at the North Eagle Cemetery following the funeral luncheon. Visitation will be on Wednesday from 4:00 –

7:00 p.m. at Peters & Murray Funeral Home, Grand Ledge and also one hour prior to services at the Masonic Lodge. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made in loving memory of Preston Childs to the Grand Ledge First United Methodist Church, 912 E. Scott St., Grand Ledge, MI 48837 or the Grand Ledge Masonic Lodge #179, c/o Robert Lindsay, 920 Waxen Way, Grand Ledge, MI 48837. Online condolences may be shared at www.petersandmurrayfuneralhome.com.



**Nancy J. CLEWLEY Phelps** 

February 22, 1952 — July 2, 1978 (Aged 26)

CAUSE OF DEATH: Complications from her pregnancy.

Burial: Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens Lansing, Michigan.

(From an article in the Lansing State Journal.)

Nancy J. Clewley Phelps of 1309 Vermont, Age 26, died July 2, 1978. Mrs. Phelps was born February, 22, 1952 in Lansing and graduated from Grand Ledge High School in 1971.

Surviving is her husband Lester G.; parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim (Doris) Clewley of Grand Ledge; two sisters, Mrs. Susan N. Griniwis of Lansing and Linda Clewley of Grand Ledge; four brothers, Douglas Lee Clewley, Ronnie R. Clewley, Michael J. Clewley and Kenneth J. Clewley all of Grand Ledge; grandparents, Edward E. and Fora Judge of Sarasota FL, and Mary Clewley of Lansing.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, 11:30 a.m. at the Gorsline Runciman Lansing Chapel with the Rev. Doyal McDaniels of Calvary Baptist Church of Charlotte officiating.

Interment will be at Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens, Lansing.

Pallbearers will be Joe Clewley, Lee H. Crabtree, Larry Rausch, Randy Adams, Mike Griniwis, Charles Phelps, and Carl McCarrick.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home Tuesday from 6 to 9 p.m. and Wednesday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m.



### **Linda Lou CURTIS Beck**

May 26, 1953 -- June 12, 2004 (Aged 51)

CAUSE OF DEATH: Huntington's Disease.

Burial: Oakwood Cemetery, Grand Ledge, Eaton County, Michigan, USA

Linda Lou Beck, age 51, of Okemos Michigan passed away June 12 2004 in Okemos Michigan. She was born in Lansing, Michigan, May 26, 1953, the daughter of William V. and Dorothy Jean (Hoy) Curtis. She was a graduate of Grand Ledge High School class of 1971. She was predeceased by both of her parents and a sister MaryAnne Southwell. Surviving are her daughter,

Deborah Beck of Lansing, brother, Dennis (Sue) Curtis, Andrew (Cindy) Curtis, all of Sunfield, Michigan and Ronald Curtis of Grand Ledge, a sister Bonnie Brighton of Sunfield, several aunts and uncles, nieces, and nephews. Memorial services were held June 17 at Peter's and Murray Funeral Home, Grand Ledge, Michigan; with Pastor Wayne Compton of the Liberty Chruch of Grand Ledge officiated. Interment followed at the Oakwood Cemetery in Grand Ledge, Michigan.

Contributions to Huntington's Disease would be appreciated. The family would like to extend special thanks to the staff of the Ingham County Medical care facility.



### **Dennis James Curtis**

April 25, 1952 -- January 6, 2012 (Aged 59)

Burial: Cremated. Ashes given to family or friend, Specifically: To be scattered later

Dennis James Curtis, 59, of Sunfield, passed away early Friday morning, January 6, 2012, at Ingham Regionall Hospice Hospital, after months of illness.

Dennis was born April 25, 1952, in Mulliken, Michigan, the third child of William Vernon Curtis and Dorothy Jean (Hoy) Curtis.

He graduated from Grand Ledge in 1971. Most of his life, he was self –employed doing shoe repair and handmade leather garments, which he sold all over the world.

He will be lovingly missed by his wife, Sue (Eagen) Curtis; daughter, Kaci Anna Curtis of Oceanside, California, stepson, Jeremy L. (Tabitha) Eagen of Sunfield; and 3 grandchildren, Katarina J. and Carter J. Eagen of Spokane, Washington; Christian M. Galvin of Ionia and many aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; 3 sisters, Mary Ann Southwell, Bonnie Jean Brighton, Linda Lou Beck; 2 brothers, Ronald Lynn Curtis and Andrew William Curtis.

Dennis will be sadly missed by a large family and friends. Along with his marble board player, Travis.

Dennis really enjoyed hunting with his black powder guns and bluegill fishing. He was a big Hank Jr. fan and loved playing his guitar.

Memorial services will be Tuesday, January 10, 2012, at 11:00 at United Brethren Church in Sunfield on M-43. We also wish to thank all that helped with Dennis' care over the last few months: Ingham and Sparrow Hospitals, St. Lawrence Rehab. Charlotte Eaton County Rehab, Tendercare West and Ingham Hospice Hospital, all the nurses and doctors that took such wonderful care of Dennis.





Class of 1971 **Lynn Steven Debler** 

May 2, 1953 — April 6, 2024 (Aged 70)

Lynn Steven Debler, 70, of Mulliken, MI passed away on April 6, 2024. He was born on May 2, 1953 in Lansing, MI, the son of Edward and Rose (Felder) Debler. Lynn was a self-employed Master Plumber.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Edward and Rose Debler; brothers, Gary Debler and Ron "Sonny" Debler; nieces, Michelle Debler and Melissa Debler. Lynn is survived by his sister, Linda (Rolland) Harlow; brother, Edward (Kathy) Debler Jr.; nephews: Brian (Jen) Debler, Kevin (Kim) Debler, Randy Debler, and Jason (Valerie) Debler; nieces, Natalie Debler and Amanda (Andrew) Hojnacki; special cousin, Marty (Susie) Debler; several cousins, great nieces, and great nephews.

No services will be held. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in loving memory of Lynn Debler to the Homeless Angels, 3216 W Main St, Lansing, MI 48917 or City Rescue Mission, 607 E. Michigan Ave, Lansing, MI 48912. The family has entrusted arrangements to Mills Funeral Home, Peters & Murray Chapel, Grand Ledge. For online condolences please visit www.millsfuneral.com



**Sharon J. DeMull** 

June 16, 1953 -- February 15, 2007 (Aged 53)

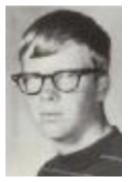
Sharon J. DeMull, 53, of Potterville died unexpectedly Feb. 15 at her home.

She was born in Lansing June 16, 1953 a daughter of Peter and Darleen (Barnes) DeMull. A graduate of Grand Ledge High School, she was employed by the Michigan Secretary of State.

Surviving are her brother, Gerald DeMull; sister, Gail (Steve) Thomson, all of Grand Ledge; nieces and nephews, Autumn DeMull, Carlyn Ross, Matt DeMull, Nathan Peel and Melissa Peel; several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Services were held Feb. 19 at Barker-Leik Funeral Home, Mulliken, with Rev. Gregory R. Wolfe officiating. Interment was in Meadowbrook Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Matt DeMull, John Esch, Nathan Peel and Chad Ross. Contributions may be made to the American Heart Association.



# **Steven Douglas Dennis**

May 30, 1952 — May 8, 2019 (Aged 66)

Steven Douglas Dennis of Grand Ledge passed away March 8, 2019. Dennis was born May 30, 1952 in Lansing, Michigan to the late Clifford and Betty J. (Cooper) Dennis Jr. Steve attended Grand Ledge High School and received an Associate's Degree from Lansing Community College. He served in the Army of the United States and worked as a Mediator for the State of Michigan. Steve always looked forward to and enjoyed riding his Harley-Davidson motorcycle.

He is survived by his wife, Kathy Dennis; daughter, Elizabeth Dennis; grandchildren Madison and Dylan Bloom; siblings, Mark, Mary, Wayne and Becky; special Aunts June and Laura along with several nieces and nephews.

According to Dennis' wishes no service will be held. He will be interred at Ft. Custer National Cemetery. Arrangements by the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. ked forward to and enjoyed riding his Harley-Davidson motorcycle.

He is survived by his wife, Kathy Dennis; daughter, Elizabeth Dennis; grandchildren Madison and Dylan Bloom; siblings, Mark, Mary, Wayne and Becky; special Aunts June and Laura along with several nieces and nephews.

According to Dennis' wishes no service will be held. He will be interred at Ft. Custer National Cemetery. Arrangements by the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge.



Randy D. Dick

August 3, 1953 — December 13, 2003 (Aged 50)

CAUSE OF DEATH: Cancer.

Burial: Oakwood Cemetery

Grand Ledge, Eaton County, Michigan, USA

(From an article in the Grand Ledge Independent — December 21, 2003.)

Randy D. Dick, 50, of Grand Ledge went home to be with the Lord after a courageous 18 year battle with cancer. He was a lifelong area resident, and a 1971 Grand Ledge High School graduate. He retired from GTE of Michigan and was a former Grand Ledge police officer and assistant fire chief. He enjoyed bowling, fishing, and computers.

He is survived by his loving family; wife, Joyce; parents, Robert and Lois Dick of Grand Ledge; brothers, Larry (Jean) Dick of Victoria, Texas, Dennis (Diane) Dick; Robert (Maxine) Dick all of Grand Ledge; uncles and aunts including Boyd (Merle) Tyler of Grand Ledge; and several nieces and nephews.

Services were held December 16 at Holihan-Atkin Funeral Home, Grand Ledge with Pastor Frank Goodrich officiating. Contributions may be made to Eaton Community or Sparrow Hospice Services.



Dawn DIXON Grove
February 1, 1953 — March 15, 2007 (Aged 54)

(NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.)



Class of 1971 Louann M. Emick

May 1, 1953 — August 15, 2004 (Aged 51)

Louann M Emick of Port Charlotte, Charlotte County, Florida was born on May 1, 1953, and died at age 51 years old on August 15, 2004.

( NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.)



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Karlyn M. Feighner Cierlik

May 12, 1952— May 3, 2022 (Aged 69)

Karlyn M. (Feighner) Cierlik of Eagle, passed away at home surrounded by her loved ones on May 3, 2022, at the age of 69. Karlyn was born on May 12, 1952 in Carson City, daughter of Karl and Dottie (Davis) Feighner. She retired from the State of Michigan; was a Worthy Matron of the Wacousta Eastern Star #133 where she was holding State Officer as Grand Ruth with a Torpey O'Connell Grand Family, and was the President of the local Eastern Star of the Eaton County Association. Karlyn enjoyed crafting of all types, working in the yard, raising her mini goats and chickens, and especially enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren.



She is survived by her loving husband Stanley Cierlik; children: Karl (Tonda) Bradley, Bryan (Laura) Bradley, Amanda (Pam) Loechler, and Samantha (Ronnye) Spencer; grandchildren: Jessica Dice, Fiona Bradley, Carol Loechler, Derek Loechler, Daryl Loechler, Elicecya Loechler, and Eric Spencer; great granddaughter Vivian Dice; mother Dottie Feighner; siblings Daniel Feighner and Ann (Craig Godfrey) Feighner; brother-in-law's Charles (Sherry) Cierlik and Frank (Karen) Cierlik.

Karlyn is preceded in death by her father Karl Feighner; brother, Victor Feighner; sister Marlene Fine, brother-in-law's Pat Fine and John Cierlik; sister-in-law's Kathy and Michelle Feighner;

Visitation will be held on Monday, May 9, 2022 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. A funeral service with an O.E.S. service will be held 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, May 10, 2022, at the Mills Funeral Home, Peters & Murray Chapel, Grand Ledge with visitation one hour prior to the service; interment to follow at Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens, Watertown Township.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in loving memory of Karlyn Cierlik to Make a Wish Foundation, 7600 Grand River Avenue Suite 175, Brighton, MI 48114 or the Wacousta #133 Chapter Eastern Stars (check payable to Wacousta Chapter #133), mail to DeAnna Openlander, 8101 Clark Rd., Grand Ledge, MI 48837. The family has entrusted arrangements to the Mills Funeral Home, Peters & Murray Chapel, Grand Ledge. Online condolences may be placed at www.millsfuneral.com.



Victor "Vic" E. Feighner

August 27, 1953 — February 7, 1992 (Aged 38)

CAUSE OF DEATH: Heart Attack.

Burial: Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens

DeWitt, Clinton County, Michigan, USA

(From an Article in the Grand Ledge Independent)

Victor E. Feighner, 38, of Lansing died February 7, 1992, at a Lansing Hospital.

Mr. Feighner was a lifetime area resident; employee of B.O.C., for 20 years; member of U.A.W. #642; member of the Wacousta Masonic Lodge #359 F & A.M.; the O.E.S. Chapter #133 of Wacousta; and the Circus Clown Alley. He is formerly associated with the Volunteer Fire Department of Webberville, the Grand Ledge E.M.S., and Lansing Township E.M.S.

Survivors include his wife, Michele, son, Brad; daughter, Sarah, both of Webberville; mother, Dottie Feighner of Eagle; brother, Dan (Kathy) Feighner of Grand Ledge; two sisters, Karlyn (John) Cierlik of Eagle and Ann Nye and special friend, John Lawless of Grand Ledge; grandparents, Lawrence and Jessie Davis of Crystal; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded oin death by his father, Karl, and grandparents, Bernie and Edna Feighner.

Services were held February 12 at the Peters and Murray Funeral Home, Grand Ledge, with Rev. James Hynes of the Wacousta Community United Methodist Church officiating.

Masonic and O.E.S services were conducted by the Wacousta Lodge and Chapter.

Interment was at Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens in Lansing.

Contributions may be made to the trust fund established for Brad and Sarah Feighner.

Vic's sister Karlyn lives on Bauer Rd., Grand Ledge, phone # 626-2295.

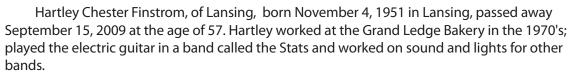


# **Hartley Chester Finstrom**

November 4, 1951 — September 15, 2009 (Aged 57)

CAUSE OF DEATH: Cancer.

(From an article in an area newspaper — September 20, 2009.)



He is survived by his 3 sisters: Linda Houseman and Carole VanEtten both of Grand Ledge and Hilda Finstrom of Lansing; nieces and nephews; Dennis (Jennifer), Mikjell (Tim), Scott, Tammy (Darren) and Sabrina (Ray); 11 great nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his parents, Hartley C. and Delphine (Englehardt) Finstrom.

Memorial services will be held Thursday, September 17, 2009 - 2:00 p.m. at the Peters & Murray Funeral Home, 301 E. Jefferson St., Grand Ledge, MI 48837.

The family will begin to receive friends one hour prior to service time. For those desiring, contributions may be made to the Hospice House of Mid-Michigan.







### James Lee Fox February 18, 1953 — December 23, 2013 (Aged 60)

James Lee Fox of Eagle passed away unexpectedly as the result of an accident on December 23, 2013. He was born February 18, 1953 in Ionia, Michigan. He was preceded in death by his mother Constance (Wilcox) May, step father Windy May and his father Roy Fox, grandparents Howard and Irma Wilcox, Olive and Henry Fox. He leaves behind his loving wife of 36 years Catherine Ann; step mother Joy Fox, sisters Karen (Lynn) Cudney, Janet (Rex) Recounty, Laurie Shields, brother Howard (Shawn) Fox, step brother Don (Anna) May and multiple step siblings, brother-inlaws, sister-in-laws, nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews. Jim loved spending time with family and friends, being outdoors, camping and fishing. He loved his old Chevys and quarter mile racing at the local drag strip. Jim loved his job, caring for our State Capitol building, where he worked for 28 years. His coworkers were his second family. Jim's quiet wisdom will be missed by all who knew him. The family prefers no flowers, donations can be made to: Greenview Foundation (sponsors liver research at University of Michigan Medical Center), American Liver Foundation or American Heart Association. A prayer service will be held Friday, December 27, 2013, 1:00p.m. at the Holihan-Atkin Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. The family will receive friends immediately following the conclusion of the prayer service from 1:30p.m. until 5:00p.m.Share your condolences and memories online at www.holihanatkin.com



Charles G. Frederick

November 9, 1952 July 27, 2003 (Aged 50)

CAUSE OF DEATH: Pancreatic Cancer.

BURIAL: Salem Township Cemetery Burnips, Michigan

(From and article in a newspaper.)

Charles G. Frederick, aged 50, of Burnips, went to meet hi Savior Sunday evening, July 27, 2003. He is survived by his wife, Vicki (Whipple) Frederick; his children, Bethany and Andrew both at home; his parents, Duaine and Marian Frederick of Lowell; his sisters Loraine and Don Wilber of Cedar Springs, Lou Ann and Doug Johnson of Fremont; his parents-in-law, Ed and Pat Nelson of Jenison; sister-in-law, Becky Whipple of Indianapolis, IN; brother-in-law, Phil and Sandy Whipple of Caro; nieces and nephews, Paul Wilber, Julie Symanski, Rachel Wilber, Levi Wilber, Katie Johnson, Sam Johnson, Joshua Whipple, and Michael Whipple. Mr. Frederick was an employee of Van Haren Electric in Byron Center and was actively involved in Diamond Springs Wesleyan Church.

Funeral and committal services will be held Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. at Burnips Wesleyan Church with Pastors Tom McCall, Phil Whipple and Carl Koerner officiating. Interment Salem Township Cemetery. Friends may meet with the family at the Burnips Wesleyan Church, 3014 Newell St., Burnips on Tuesday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to the Frederick Children Educational Trust Fund. Arrangement by VanderLaan Funeral Home.



Stefani L. FUNTUKIS DeJong

**July 3, 1953** — **January 8, 1990 (Aged 36)**CAUSE OF DEATH: Cancer

Burial: Oakwood Cemetery

Grand Ledge, Eaton County, Michigan, USA

(From an article in the Grand Ledge Independent.)

Stefani L. Funtukis DeJong, 36, of DeWitt died January 8, 1990, at her residence.

She was born July 3, 1953, in Lansing, the daughter of Louis and Kanella (Sinas) Funtukis. She was an employee of Hudson's of Lansing, a former School Teacher for the South Haven and St. Johns School Districts, a graduate of Grand Ledge High School, Class of '71, a graduate of Western Michigan University, a member of the Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church of Lansing, a member of the Ladies Philptochos Society.

Survivors include her husband, Jack; one son, Matthew; one daughter, Melissa; her mother, Mrs. Kanella Funtukis of Lansing; one brother and sister-in-law Harry and Denise Funtukis of Grand Ledge; one sister and brother-in-law Stacy and Tony Worthington of Grand Ledge; one uncle, Alex Funtukis of Clearwater Beach FL; two aunts, Helen Perentesis of Clearwater Beach and Martha Sinas of Okemos; Mother-in-law Mrs. Jean DeJong of Hudsonville; godparents, Helen and Chris Geovanes of Lansing; four nieces and on nephew; several cousins; one sister-in-law, Mrs. Kenneth (Sharon) Overset of Zeeland; one brother-in-law, Donald DeJong of Hudsonville.

Services were January 11, 1990, at the Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, Lansing, with Father John Poulos officiating. Interment in the Oakwood Cemetery, Grand Ledge. Memorials contributions may be made to the Holy Trinity Orthodox Church of Lansing. Envelopes available at the Peters and Murray Funeral Home, Grand Ledge.



**James "Jimmy" Galvin** 

August 5, 1952 — September 26, 2008 (Aged 56)

CAUSE OF DEATH: Cancer.

James "Jimmy" Galvin was born August 5, 1952 in Eaton Rapids, MI, and passed Septembe 26, 2008 at the early age of 56. He was formerly from Eagle, MI. He was preceded in death by his mother, Jeane (Ginter) Galvin. Surviving are his wife, Donna, and their daughter, Megan, both of Campobello, SC; father, Carl Galvin; sister Jan McAllister; numerous aunts and uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

The family would like to welcome friends and relatives at the Grand Ledge American Legion on Tuesday, October 14, 2008 at 4:00 p.m. In lieu of flowers, a donation may be made to Megan's education fund.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to the Cremation Society of South Carolina in Greenville, SC.

(From an article in a newspaper — October 12, 2008.)



# **Gaylord Dean Glendenning**

DATE OF PASSING: May 20, 2014

Gaylord Dean Glendenning, age 62, of Grand Ledge, retired from the Navy, Vietnam War veteran, died Wednesday. Services 3 p.m. Saturday at Peters & Murray Funeral Home, Grand Ledge

(NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.)



**Joel Allen Goldenberg** 

April 21, 1953 — January 1, 2001 (Aged 47)

CAUSE OF DEATH: Cancer.

**BURIAL: Sharon Memorial Park** 

Sharon, MA

(From an article in the "Jewish Advocate" — December 18, 2001.)

Joel Goldenberg, of Stoughton, MA, 47, Invensys General Manager, Industrial Engineer, Teacher, Dies. Joel Goldenberg, of Stoughton passed away on January 1, 2001, he was 47.

Died Sunday at New England Medical Center in Boston, MA. Goldenburg was born in St. Joseph, Michigan and grew up in Grand Ledge. He earned a bachelor of science in industrial education from Western Michigan University and a master's from Bridgewater State College. After teaching in the Waltham and Swampscott public school systems, Goldenberg worked in private industry for both the former Indev Company and New England Controls. Most recently, he held the position of general manager for Invensys. Goldenberg served as president of the Boston chapter of the International Society of Pharmaceutical and Medical Engineering, and was a member of the Instrumentation Society of America. He was a member of Temple Beth Emunah, Brockton, where he served on the board of directors, on the board of the brotherhood and as chair of the youth commission. He was an avid fisherman.

He is survived by his wife, Carole (Kaplan); his mother, Pearl (Levinson) Goldenberg; three sons, Benjamin, Russell, and Daniel; three sisters, Debra, Risa and Donna. He was preceded in death by his father Harold Goldenberg.

Services under the direction of Stanetsky Memorial Chapels, Canton, were held January 3 at Temple Beth Emunah, Brockton, and interment followed at Sharon Memorial Park. Rabbi H. Werb officiated.



Douglas "Doug" G. Gunn

May 6, 1953 — October 13, 1986 (Aged 33)

CAUSE OF DEATH: Suicide.

BURIAL: Deepdale Memorial Park Lansing, Michigan

(From an article in the Grand Ledge Independent.)

Douglas G. Gunn of 4807 Roscommon, age 33, died in a car accident, October 13, 1989.

Mr. Gunn was born May 6, 1953 in Lansing and graduated from Grand Ledge High School, Class of '71. He was employed by B.O.C. in Lansing and a member of the U.A.W. #652. He is survived by his wife, Joanie; one daughter, Katie; two sons, Danny and Eric, all of Lansing; Mother and Father-in-law, Charles and Patricia Lorenze of Traverse City; one brother, Steve Gunn of Lansing; one sister Sharon Evans of Linden, MI; Grandmother, Jessie Gunn of Dimondale; Father and mother-in-law, Jeri and Gloria VanKirk of Lansing; two step-brothers, Steve and Jim VanKirk, both of Lansing, four step-sisters, Cindy Bennett of MO, Connie Waddell of Lansing, Mary Emerick of Holt and Amy Wasson of AZ,

Funeral services will be held Friday, 1:00 p.m. at the Gorsline -Runciman Lansing Chapel with the Rev. Brian Sheen, Pastor of the Central Free Methodist Church, officiating.

Interment will be in Deepdale Memorial Park, Lansing. Friends may call at the Funeral Home, beginning Thursday 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Casket bearers will be Steven VanKirk, Jim VanKirk, Dave Waddell, Bob Cheesmond, Charlie Walker and John Long.



Steven L. Hultberg
April 16, 1953 -- December 4, 2019 (Aged 66)

Steven L. Hultberg, age 66, of Grand Ledge, died December 4, 2019. Mr. Hultberg was born April 16, 1953 in Salina, Kansas, a son of Donald and Bonnie (Mead) Hultberg. Surviving is his wife, Linda; daughter, Ashley Hultberg of Grand Ledge; parents, Don & Bonnie Hultberg of Punta Gorda, Florida; brother, Rick Hultberg, and aunts & cousins. Memorial services will be held at a later date. Arrangements by Barker-Leik Funeral Home, Mulliken.



Jeffery "Jeff" K. Katalenich August 22, 1953 — August 26, 1971 (Aged 18) CAUSE OF DEATH: Auto Accident.

Burial: North Eagle Cemetery

Eagle, Clinton County, Michigan, USA

(From an article in the Grand Ledge Independent.)

Jeffery K. Katalenich, age 18 of 16773 Bauer Rd., Grand Ledge, son of Mr. and Mrs. Steven Katalenich was killed Thursday (August 26) in a five-car accident on W. Saginaw Hwy.

A 1971 graduate of Grand Ledge High School, he had been a member of the school's Varsity Athletic Club and c Rotary Interact Club at the school, and had been on the Wrestling Team four years and the Football Team two years. He was employed by Feldpausch Food Center this summer and planned to be married soon to Nancy Nethaway of Grand Ledge.

Surviving in addition to his parents are four brothers; Daryl of Eagle, and Gregory, Bruce, and Michael at home; sister, Gloria, at home; maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Leonard of Eagle; and a great-grandmother, Mrs. Pearl Leonard of Eagle.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the Peters and Murray Funeral Home in Grand Ledge, with Rev Walter Priebe of Immanuel Lutheran Church of Grand Ledge officiating. Burial was in North Eagle Cemetery, Clinton County.

Contributions for the Jeffery Katalenich memorial scholarship fund are accepted at the funeral home.



### Frederick "Fred" W. Kebler

**December 3, 1952 — November 16, 2010 (Aged 57)** 

Fred W. Kebler Grand Ledge Frederick "Fred" W. Kebler, 57, passed away November 16, 2010 surrounded by his loving family. He was born December 3, 1952 in Lansing, MI, son of Neal and Aileen (Wells) Kebler. Fred was owner of K&K Supply in Grand Ledge; served in the U.S. Army, and was a former member and past president of the Grand Ledge Lions Club. He was an avid hunter and Spartan fan; enjoyed golf, spending time at his place on Dickerson Lake, and espe-

cially enjoyed watching his grandkids play sports. He was a devoted and loving husband, father, son, brother and friend. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends and all others that knew him. He was preceded in death by his father Neal and nephew Derek. Survivors include his wife of 38 years, Jackie and their two daughters, Kimberly L. Kebler and Kellee L. (Lee) Auge both of Delta Twp.; grandchildren: Aaron, Ethan, and Lauren Auge; mother Aileen Hagerman of St. Petersburg, FL, brothers Gary (Pam) and Brian (Denise) Kebler both of St. Petersburg, FL; mother-in-law Janette Waldo of Grand Ledge; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law: Judy (Mark) Kuebler of Delta Twp., Wes (Kellie) Waldo of Mulliken, Roberta (Dave) Jones of Grand Ledge, and Forrest Waldo of Denver, CO and close family Mary Jo Jones and her daughter, Natalee; as well as many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held Friday, November 19, 2010 - 11:00 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 411 Harrison St., Grand Ledge, MI 48837, with Rev. Troy Shaw officiating. The family will receive friends Thursday 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the Peters & Murray Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Grand Ledge Youth Area Football Program. Online condolences may be made at www.petersandmurrayfuneralhome.com.



Jeffery Kebler
June 4, 1953 — August 6, 2015 (Aged 62)

Jeffery Kebler age, 62 passed away unexpectedly, Aug.6, 2015 at his home. Jeff was born June 4, 1953 at Lansing, Mi., the son of Robert & Winifred (Patterson) Kebler. Jeff was a graduate of Grand Ledge High School, class of 1971. He was an employee of Clark Farms and was the President of the Eagle Fair Board. He enjoyed golfing and spending quality time with his family and friends.

Jeff will be greatly missed by his wife Jane; son Justin (Angela) Kebler; 3 grandchildren: Braylin, Daniel and Kyle; brother, James Kebler of Eagle; and several nieces and nephews; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law. He was predeceased by his Parents and daughter Jamie.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be held Tuesday, Aug. 11, 2015 11:00 am at St. Michael's Catholic Church, 345 Edwards St., Grand Ledge, with interment to follow at the North Eagle Cemetery. The family will receive at the Peters & Murray Funeral Home in Grand Ledge Monday, Aug. 10, 2015 from 2-4 and 6-9 P.m. For those desiring contributions to the Eagle Park or North Eagle Cemetery Society would be greatly appreciated. Online condolences may be shared at www.petersandmurrayfuneralhome.com



Ronald "Ron" Kelso

January 3, 1953 — March 18, 1997 (Aged 44)

CAUSE OF DEATH: Unknown.

(NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.)



David Lee Kempf
May 5, 1953 — August 7, 1997 (Aged 44)

CAUSE OF DEATH: Cancer

Burial: Oakwood Cemetery

Grand Ledge, Eaton County, Michigan, USA

(From an article in the Grand Ledge Independent.)

David Lee Kempf, of Osceola, Indiana, died August 7, 1997.

He was born in Lansing, May 5, 1953, the son of Floyd and JoJean (Humphrey) Kempf.

He was married in Michigan City, Indiana, on July 14, 1976, to Kathleen Margraf. He was a quality engineer with GUNITE Corporation of Elkhart and a member of the Osceola United Methodist Church. He was a former troop leader for several Boy Scout Troops and had managed the Osceola Little League.

He is survived by his wife, Kathleen of Osceola; his parents of Grand Ledge; and three sons, Michael, Brian and Kenneth, all of Osceola.

Funeral Services were held August 11 in the Osceola United Methodist Church with Rev. David Heim officiating. Cremation followed and a private graveside service was held on November 1 at the Oakwood Cemetery, Grand Ledge. Locally, the family was served by Peters and Murray Funeral Home.



### Cecil Delbert Kirchen, Jr.

December 20, 1952 — April 29, 2011 (Aged 58)



Cecil Delbert Kirchen, Jr. Died peacefully at home on April 29, 2011, surrounded by his family and a few close friends. He now rests safely in the arms of Jesus. He was born on December 20, 1952 in Lansing, Michigan to Cecil Delbert Kirchen and Evelyn Marie Schreiner Kirchen. Cecil grew up in Grand Ledge and attended Grand Ledge Schools graduating in 1971. In November of 1972 Cecil enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served from January 1973 til March of 1974 when he was given an honorable discharge. He was stationed in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii where he attained the rank of Machinist's Mate [Class A]. On June 15, 1974, Cecil married Terry Darlene Holton. Together they had three children. She preceded him in February of 1993. Cecil was a Animal Caretaker employed with the Federal Government/USDA in Lansing retiring March 6, 2011. In November of 1994, Cecil met Jeannie Brands Langham. The two of them were married on May 20, 1995. Jeannie had three children of her own and together they became the Kirchen Klan. Cecil had a lot of interests. He was an avid fisherman and spent time teaching the grandchildren how to fish. He loved to cook and during the holidays feasts of food were laid out for family to enjoy. He loved to decorate cakes. Whenever any of the children had birthdays, he would make whatever kind of cake they chose, whether it be Winnie the Pooh, a snake, dinosaur or fish, Cecil was always up to

the task. One of Cecil's most favorite pastime was his garden. He became a Master Gardener through LCC and then taught classes in Charlotte and Lake Odessa. His garden was his pride and joy and he became well known in Sunfield for his beautiful gardens. Another one of Cecil's loves was the outdoors and camping. Many camping adventures were taken throughout the Northern and Upper Peninsula of Michigan. All of his children and grandchildren share his love for camping. Finally, Cecil loved to write. He wrote beautiful stories, letters and poems, and in his final days he wrote a legacy of love through this avenue and gave them as a gift to Jeannie. Cecil was preceded in death by his mother, Evelyn, his father Cecil, Sr. Terry's mother, Violet and then Jeannie's parents Tom and Phyllis Brands. He is survived by his loving wife, Jeannie. His daughters, Heather and Samantha Kirchen, Becky Langham (Dan Perez) and Lesleyann (Eric) Lewis and sons, Jacob Kirchen and Johnathon (Jenny) Langham. Also surviving are a sister Kathy Kirchen, and Brothers, Dan Kirchen, Ronald (Laurie) Kirchen and Timothy (Linda) Kirchen. Grandchildren, Megan, Dominic and Brianna Smith, Darien, Quinn and Eliana Lewis and Amabel Bartlett. Also surviving Cecil are Terry's father, Chester Holton and brother Mark (Julie) Holton as well as Jeannie's sister Marcia (Barry) McIntyre, and brothers, Tom Brands and Richard (Sandy) Brands. As well as many aunts, uncles and cousins.

Visitation will be held at Kilpatrick United Brethren Church, Woodland on Thursday May 5th from 5-8 p.m. and Memorial Services will be on Friday May 6th at 11:00 a.m. with a luncheon following, also at Kilpatrick Church. Contributions may be made in Care of the family (Jeannie Kirchen) they may be given at the church or mailed to: RFH, PO Box 36 Sunfield, MI 48890. Please express your online condolences to www.legacy.com The family is being served by the Independent Family Owned Funeral Home in Sunfield: Rosier Funeral Home.

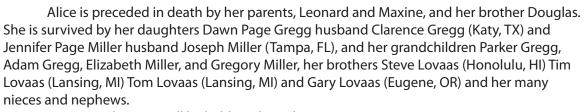


# **Alice Marguerite Lovaas Page**

April 21, 1953 — April 2, 2021 (Aged 67)

Katy, TX - In loving memory of Alice Marguerite (Lovaas) Page....beloved mother, grand-mother, friend.

Born April 21, 1953 in Pensacola, FL to Leonard Lovaas and Maxine McKenzie (Lovaas) Imhoff. Passed away April 2, 2021 in Katy, TX. Alice was a graduate of Grand Ledge High School, Class of 1971.



A memorial service will be held at a later date.





Burial: Deepdale Memorial Park
Delta Township, Eaton County, Michigan, USA

(From an article in the Grand Ledge Independent)

John R. MacDougall, III, a member of Grand Ledge High School's 1971 Graduating Class, died Monday night at a Kalamazoo Hospital as a result of injuries received in a construction job accident June 8. He had remained in critical condition after suffering an electrical shock from a high tension wire while working at a construction site near Kalamazoo. The 18 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. John R. MacGougall, II of 9948 Riverside Drive, Wacousta.

John was very active in the Athletic Program at the High School. A member of the Varsity Club, he had compiled a record of three years of Varsity Football and four years of Varsity Track. He was also a member of the Century Club and the Interact Club at school. John was also active in the M.Y.F at Wacousta United Methodist Church, although his parents are members of North Presbyterian Church Lansing.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by two sisters at home, a twin, Jeannette, who also graduated this month, and Katherine; the paternal Grandmother, Mrs. Christina McDougall of Saginaw; the maternal Grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Newhouse of Ypsilanti; three uncles and one aunt. The MacDougall's had previously lost three children in a fire which destroyed their home in February 1966.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 pm Friday at North Presbyterian Church in Lansing, with the Rev. Paul Livingston officiating. Burial will be in Deepdale Cemetery in Lansing.

The Peters and Murray Funeral Home of Grand Ledge is in charge of Funeral arrangements.



Larry K. Maloney
September 19, 1952 — November 13, 1996 (Aged 44)
CAUSE OF THE DEATH: Sclerosis of the Liver.

Burial: Oakwood Cemetery

Grand Ledge, Eaton County, Michigan, USA

(From an article in the Grand Ledge Independent.)

Larry K. Maloney, 44, of Grand Ledge died November 13, 1996 in a Lansing Hospital. He was born in Lansing September 19, 1952, the son of Vernon and Jean Maloney. He was a veteran of the Vietnam Conflict serving in the U.S. Army. A lifetime area resident and an avid hunter and fisherman.

Survivors include his wife Kimberly; mother Jean Maloney of Grand Ledge; four brothers, Ronald (Joy) Maloney, Michael (Jill) Maloney, Dean Maloney and Randy Maloney; two sisters, Debbie Maloney and Pam (Frank) Vela, all of Grand Ledge; and several nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles and cousins.

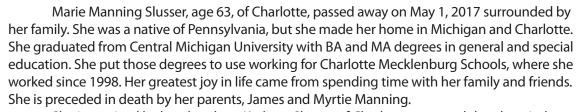
Funeral services were held November 16 at Peters and Murray Funeral Home, Grand Ledge.

Interment followed at Oakwood Cemetery, Grand Ledge. For those desiring, contributions to the Mid-Michigan Dialysis would be greatly appreciated.



# Marie Manning Slusser

May 24, 1953 — May 1, 2017 (Aged 63)





She is survived by her daughter, Kathryn Slusser of Charlotte; sons and daughter-in-law, Patrick (Amy) Slusser of Lantana, TX, and Benjamin Slusser of Washington, D.C.; brothers and sisters-in-law, Christopher (Teresa) Manning, Neil (Linda) Manning, Mark (Nancy) Manning, and Larry (Raija) Manning, all of Michigan; aunt, Helena Oliver of Pennsylvania; and several nieces, nephews and numerous cousins. Her first grandchild is also expected later this month.

Mass of Christian burial will be held on Monday, May 8, 2017 at 11 a.m. at St. Matthew Catholic Church. Family will have visitation from 6-8 p.m. on Sunday, May 7, 2017 at Heritage Funeral Home, Weddington Chapel. An additional visitation will be held prior to the funeral Mass at St. Matthew from 10-11 a.m. Online condolences may be made at www.heritagecares.com.



## **Suzanne Kay MASSIE Vandegriff Grant**

May 28, 1952 — May 19, 2013 (Aged 60)

Burial: Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens DeWitt, Clinton County, Michigan, USA

(NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.)



### **Dennis L. Matson**

June 16, 1953 -- September 13, 2018 (Aged 65)

Dennis L. Matson a longtime Grand Ledge resident passed away September 13, 2018. Dennis was born June 16, 1953 in Lansing, Michigan to the late Rollin L. and Joyce I. (Brace) Matson. Dennis graduated from Grand Ledge High School Class of 1971 and worked for the State of Michigan as a Computer Programmer. He was an avid deer and turkey hunter, enjoyed riding his motorcycle, watching MSU sports and playing golf. Dennis also looked forward to hanging out with his family and friends.



A private graveside service will be held. Memorial contributions in Dennis' name may be given to the American Diabetes Association 20700 Civic Center Drive, Suite 100, Southfield, Michigan 48076 or McLaren of Greater Lansing Foundation, 401 W. Greenlawn Avenue, Lansing, Michigan 48910. Arrangements by the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge.



**Gary L. McAllister** 

March 28th, 1953 — March 31, 2013 (Aged 60)

Gary L. McAllister of Grand Ledge, rode off into the sunset March 31, 2013. He had just turned 60 years old, born March 28th, 1953, son of Dale and June McAllister of Grand Ledge MI. Gary graduated from Grand Ledge High School in 1971, and was president of the Eagle Park Board. He worked at Michigan State Seed Company, then to Cyphers/Fargo Gas station until going to work for the City of Grand Ledge as a welder/mechanic until retirement as the Supervisor of the Street Department, Married to Jan Galvin of Eagle and then to Diane Drews, Survivors include his children, Pamela McAllister and Patrick (Kristen) McAllister; his mother, June McAllister, sister, Donna (Len) Eklund, brothers Roger (Doloris) and Gerald McAllister, and girlfriend, Janice Bayha. He was preceded in death by his wife, Dianne McAllister (2007), father Dale McAllister (2011), and sister-in-law Telina McAllister (2012). Gary wasn't just friends with everyone, he was good or best friends with all. He was always easy to talk to and willing to do anything for anyone. He took care of us, his family and friends. The handyman he wasif you couldn't fix it, Gary could. After Diane's passing, Gary bought a new motorcycle and rode it everywhere. Including mini vacations in Florida and cruises to the beach on a regular occasion with his girlfriend, Janice. Gary was no stranger to motorcycles; he raced when he was younger on the Grand Ledge motorcycle team called the Flyers. He was an avid outdoorsman; enjoying hunting, fishing, camping and cutting



wood. He greatly enjoyed spending time with his family and friends, with many fond memories of 'Ice Camp', 'Deer Camp', Lake Montcalm, Eagle Inn, Eagle Park and many others too numerous to list. Gary's loving, charming, and funny nature will be so greatly missed. A Memorial Service will be held Saturday, April 6, 2013 - 1:00 p.m. at the Eagle Park Hall, 3D Building, 14331 S. Grange Rd., Eagle, MI 48822. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions made to the Eagle Park will be greatly appreciated. Online condolences may be shared at www.petersandmurrayfuneralhome.com.



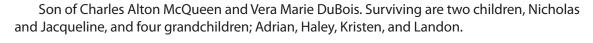
## **Larry Wendrow McQueen**

June 15, 1952 — April 26, 2005 (Aged 53)

CAUSE OF DEATH: Cancer.

Burial: Meadowbrook Cemetery

Mulliken, Eaton County, Michigan







### **Donald Brian Meacham**

May 23, 1953 — June 7, 1999 (Aged 46)

Burial: Woodlawn Cemetery

Houston, Harris County, Texas, USA

Donald Brian Meacham, age 46, passed away Monday, June 7, 1999. Donald's goal in life was to make others happy. He was preceded in death by his sister, Karyn S. Dzyacky. He is survivied by his wife, Helen R. Meacham; mother, Vivian D. Bannon; twin brother, Ronald J. Meacham;

sisters, Peggy J. Conarton (James), Sandra K. Wilson (Daniel); step-sons, Jerry T. Krieg, Wiiliam H. Krieg; numerous nieces, nephews and many many friends.

Funeral services were held Friday, June 11, 1999, in the chapel of Pat H. Foley Funeral Home, with Pastor John F. Hirling of Oaks Presbyterian Church officiating. Pallbearers were Gary Herrington, Jerry T. Krieg, Roger Mills, Milford "Bob" Arnold, Edward Torres, Trinidad Herrera, Keith Dunn and Brian Dunn.

From the Houston Chronicle, June 10, 1999.

Inscription on headstone:

#### **AIC US AIR FORCE VIETNAM**

Reverse side of headstone:

Do not stand at my grave and weep I am not there, I do not sleep I am a thousand winds that blow I am the diamond glint on snow I am the sunlight on ripened grain. I am the gentle autumn rain When you awaken in the morning hush I am the swift, uplifting rush Of quiet birds in circling flight I am the soft starlight at night Do not stand at my grave and weep. I am not there, I do not sleep. Do not stand at my grave and cry. I am not there, I did not die!





# **Gregory Lawrence Miller**

June 4, 1953 — October 1, 2020 (Aged 67)

Gregory Lawrence Miller went to be with his Lord and Savior on Thursday, October 1, 2020 at the age of 67. Born June 4, 1953 to Lawrence and Betty (Moore) Miller in Grand Ledge, Michigan. Greg was a computer engineer working with Autocad Specialist. He was an active and faithful member of the First Assembly of God Church in East Lansing where he participated in the band.

Surviving are his daughters, Sarah Miller, Vanessa (Benjamin) Davisson; son, Heath (Linda) Parkhurst as well as 7 grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at First Assembly of God of Greater Lansing at a later date. To share memories and condolences please visit www.SkinnerFuneralHomes.com



Class of 1971

Jessica Ann Norris Hill

April 8, 1953 — May 7, 2022 (Aged 69)



and Josephine Mae (Leonard) Norris. Jessica married the love of her life, Michael Hill on June 11, 1971 and they both celebrated 50 years of marriage last June (2021). Her husband, children, and grandchildren meant the world to her and fulfilled her whole life.

Jessica is survived by her loving husband, Michael Hill; children: Jennifer (Benny) Phillips, Millbrook, AL; Melissa (Aaron) Ledger, Lansing, MI; Joshua (Jess) Hill, Delta, IA; 8 grandchildren; 2 great grandchildren; and

on May 7, 2022 at Sparrow Hospital. She was born April 8, 1953 in Pittsburgh, PA, daughter of Jesse William

The Life of Jessica Ann (Norris) Hill — Jessica Ann (Norris) Hill, 69, of Grand Ledge, MI passed away

Melissa (Aaron) Ledger, Lansing, MI; Joshua (Jess) Hill, Delta, IA; 8 grandchildren; 2 great grandchildren; and her older sister, Jane Burger, as well as numerous nieces and nephews. She is preceded in death by her parents, Jesse William and Josephine Mae (Leonard) Norris and her brother, Dennis Lee Norris. She was deeply devoted to her three beloved dogs, Boone, Dandy, and Huckleberry.

Jessica's family moved to Grand Ledge, MI when she was 8 years old. She was a lover of music and

Jessica's family moved to Grand Ledge, MI when she was 8 years old. She was a lover of music and played the acoustic and steel guitar. She was also a member of The Bridge Street Band for years and was a beautiful singer. From Alan Jackson's "How Great Thou Art," to "Butter" by BTS (Jessica was a proud member of the BTS ARMY), to every song ever written by Fleetwood Mac, Jessica had a diverse taste in music. She used to sing "Pooh Corner," "You Are My Sunshine," and "My Little Buckaroo" to her children when they were little,

songs that were passed on and sung to her grandchildren when they were born.

She was known for never passing up a yard sale or a give-away at the curb. She should have had a bumper sticker that read "I stop for yard sales!" This was something she and her mother Josephine, loved to do on weekends when they were together. Later in life, Jessica loved to roam the flea markets with her daughter Jennifer and son-in-law Benny when visiting her family in Alabama and had her own map of flea markets for personal reference. Among her many hobbies, she also loved to play board games, a passion she passed on to her daughter Melissa. She was famous for her skill in Backgammon and Yahtzee, beating nearly everyone she played. Most recently, she enjoyed Catan and once a week with her daughter Melissa and son-in-law Aaron, would play Acquire, which was quickly becoming her newest obsession. Jessica was also learning to play Dungeons and Dragons from her grandchildren.

Jessica was a lover of nature and would often go fishing with her son Joshua and daughter-in-law Jess at various lakes in the area. Needless to say, she enjoyed taking trips; some of her favorite destinations included Frankenmuth, Grand Haven, the Ionia Free Fair, Mackinac Island, and the numerous lighthouses across Michigan. She had a love of fireworks and would never miss the chance to travel to her favorite places to watch them on the Fourth of July. She enjoyed making trips to the casino with her husband as well. Jessica's family remembers fondly a traveling story of her reading a billboard sign that said, "Snare Trees from Guatemala," but it really said "Buy a Shade Tree for CHRISTMAS"; this is when she realized she needed glasses.

Also known as "Fruit Punch Nana" by her grandchildren, a nickname given to her by granddaughter Tamara Phillips, Jessica was a loving grandmother. She enjoyed crocheting her children and grandchildren gifts for Christmas. It is an agreed upon fact that she managed to crochet something for each member of the entire family. Jessica's grandchildren also enjoyed spending time with her playing video games including Mario Kart, Super Mario Bros, and American Idol. She was a hilarious, fun-loving Grandma who was there to listen whenever her grandchildren needed her.

Jessica treated everyone she knew like family, from neighbors, to friends, to anyone who needed someone to care. She was a woman of Faith who showed her love for Christ through the love she showed others. She made a profound impact on every person that she met and will be deeply, and sorely missed by many. She leaves behind a legacy of love, through the family that she raised and the countless lives that were touched by her over the course of her life. Jessica hoped that when the time came, those who loved her would not mourn or be sad but would rejoice in the memories they had of her.

A celebration of Jessica's life will take place May 12, 2022 from 4:00-10:00pm at the American Legion Riders Post 48, 731 N. Clinton St. Grand Ledge, Michigan. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in loving memory of Jessica Hill to the Wounded Warrior Project, of which she was an avid supporter, at P.O. Box 758516, Topeka, Kansas 66675-8516. The family is being served by the Mills Funeral Home, Peters & Murray Chapel, Grand Ledge. Online condolences may be placed at www.millsfuneral.com.



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James Edward Otis

October 20, 1953 — February 26, 2024 (Aged 70)



James Edward Otis, age 70 of Goshen, IN, passed away unexpectedly at 3:12 pm on Monday afternoon, February 26, 2024 at his residence. He was born on October 20, 1953 in Lansing, MI to Roger Elias and Josephine (Faultenowski) Otis. He was a 1971 graduate of Grand Ledge High School and went on to receive his Doctorate of Philosophy in Biblical Studies. James rose to the rank of officer in the Michigan Army National Guard and worked in ministry throughout his life in many different capacities. On November 4, 1972 James married Patricia McDiarmid in Grand Ledge. Together they worked in ministry and raised a family together in their 51 years of marriage. Jim was employed at Weiland Design in Goshen and was their master scheduler. Throughout his life Jim loved reading and writing. His family will remember his wit and comedic talent, always making them laugh. He also enjoyed woodworking and tinkering in the shop. He loved music and enjoyed singing. Jim and Patricia loved to travel and shared a great life together. Jim deeply loved his family and doted on his children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. He was a true family man and will be greatly missed.

James is survived by his loving wife, Patricia of Goshen; 4 children: Nichole (Mark) Hess of Goshen, Patrick James (Amanda) Otis of Harlan, IN; Victoria Maldonado of South Bend, IN, and James Ross (Emily) Otis of Livonia, NY; 16 grandchildren: Nicholas (Rachelle) Hess, Hailey (Matt) Martin, Alex, Maggie, Jackson, Jacob, and Lincoln Otis, Mason Ballard, Lily, Josie, and Austin Coates, Elijah and Aliyah Maldonado, and Hunter, Sophia, and Asher Otis; 4 great grandchildren: Elizabren and Allard Martin, Poppy and Emery Hess; and 3 siblings: Donna (Gerry) Overmyer of Lansing, MI, Carole Ellis of Butler, MO, and David (Georgi) Otis of Maricopa, AZ. James was preceded in death by his parents. Visitation will be held from 2-4 pm on Saturday, March 2, 2024 at Thompson-Lengacher & Yoder Funeral Home, Nappanee. Cremation will then take place and a private family graveside service will be held at a later date at Union Center Cemetery, Nappanee. Memorial contributions in James' name can be given to the Salvation Army.



# **Nedra Helen Penfield Yuker**

DATE OF PASSING: July 11, 2014

Nedra Helen (Penfield) Yuker passed away peacefully on July 11, 2014 with her family by her side.

She is survived by her mother, Lettie; sister, Michelle, and daughters, Lisa (Joe) and Michelle (Daryl); and her granddaughters, Megan, Beezer, Beca, Lyndsey and Natalie. Also surviving are her half siblings, Bonnie, Dale Jr. and their children. She is predeceased by her father, Dale Sr.; her

grandparents, and many aunts, uncles and cousins. Due to her big heart, Nedra leaves behind many friends she made over her lifetime from the Grand Ledge area.

Memorial services have already been held.



# **Peggy Ann Pion Richmond**

October 13, 1953 — February 22, 2018 (Aged 64)

Mulliken - Passed away February 22, 2018, at the age of 64. Peggy was born in Camp Atterbury, IN on October 13, 1953, the daughter of Charles and Wanda (Cookingham) Pion. She enjoyed gardening, cooking, fishing, doing crafts and sewing. Peggy adored her grandchildren most of all.

Peggy is survived by her parents; husband of 42 years, Ricke; sons, Richard, Jeremy (Renee), Timothy, Michael, Stephen; daughters, Amy Pion and Emily Richmond; sisters, Vicki Emerson and Carla Gallagher; in-laws, Ronald (Marilyn) Richmond; sister-in-law, Deb (Dave) Peake; brother-in-

law, Dan Feighner.

Funeral services will be held 11:00 A.M., Wednesday February 28, 2018, at Peters and Murray Funeral Home, 301 E. Jefferson St, Grand Ledge. Interment will follow at Delta Center Cemetery. Visitation will take place Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8. For those wishing, memorial contributions can be made to American Diabetes Association or University of Michigan Burn Unit. Online condolences can be made at www.petersandmurrayfuneralhome.com



# **Phillip R. Putney**March 7, 1953 — April 2, 2022 (Aged 69)

Phillip R. Putney, 69, of Belding, passed away Saturday morning, April 2, 2022, at home, under the loving care of his family and Hospice of Michigan. Phillip was born on March 7, 1953, in Lansing, the son of Richard and Ethelyn (VanBuren) Putney. He graduated from Grand Ledge High School with the Class of 1971. Thru his schooling and years of work experience, Phillip proudly became a Journeyman Machinist, first working in Ionia, later at Process Equipment in Belding at Auto-Cam in Grand Rapids and retiring from Jedco in Comstock Park. He liked to hunt, fish, worked

on and owned several old cars and always enjoyed riding his Harley. Phillip had a big love of family and enjoyed any time they could all be together. He will be greatly missed and always remembered with a smile by his family and friends.

Phillip is loved and survived by his wife Margaret and their children, Jessica (Jasen) Wiley of Fenwick, Matthew (Kim) Putney of Belding, his grandchildren, Austin, Devin, Lexie, Mattsen, Zacary, one greatgrandchild, Michael, his brother and sister, Roger (Carol) Putney of Lyons and Janis Fourman of Crystal.

Phillip was preceded in death by his parents.

A celebration of life service will be 1:00 PM, Wednesday April 6, 2022, at Johnson-Feuerstein Funeral Home, Belding with Pastor Paul Hulford of the First Congregational Church officiating. Visitation will be Tuesday from 6-8 PM at the funeral home. Interment will take place later at River Ridge Cemetery, Belding. In lieu of flowers, please consider a memorial to the American Cancer Society or the Ionia County Animal Shelter.

To send flowers to the family or plant a tree in memory of Phillip R. Putney, please visit our floral store.



James "Jim" E. Reed
August 14, 1952 — January 28, 2004 (Aged 51)
CAUSE OF DEATH: Cancer.

(From an article in the Grand Ledge Independent.)

James E. Reed "Jim", 51, passed away January 28 at this home after a courageous battle with cancer. Jim was born in Lansing August 14, 1952 the son of Elmo and Cleora (Shinevar) Reed of Grand Ledge. Jim worked as a service tech at Warnar Homes in Dimondale for many years. He was an avid hunter and fisherman. He loved and enjoyed the outdoors. He was the happiest spending his time at his home on the lake. He will be remembered fondly by his family and friends. He was preceded in death by his father, Elmo Reed; brothers, Loren, Bob, and Billy, and sister, Rose (Burton) Enness.

Surviving are his son Tony (Olivia) Reed of Charlotte; mother, Cleora Reed of Grand Ledge; brothers, Lloyd (Judy) Reed of Dimondale, Vern (Judy) Reed of Charlotte, Ron (Annie) Reed of Petoskey; sister, Katherine (Rudy) Utter of Carson City; three very special grandchildren, Kirsten Linn, Casey Jo, and Cole Michael Reed along with several nieces and nephews. A heartfelt thanks to his sister Kay and her husband Rudy for their loving care, time and devotion during Jim's illness.

Contributions may be made to the Eaton County Hospice, 2675 S. Cochran, Charlotte, MI. No services are planned.



# Jeffrey "Jeff" Bryan Reedy

August 15, 1953 — January 19, 2003 (Aged 49)

CAUSE OF DEATH: Snowmobile accident.

Burial: Mount Pleasant Memorial Gardens, Mount Pleasant, Isabella County, Michigan, USA

(From an article in the Lansing State Journal.)

Jeffery Bryan Reedy, Mt. Pleasant, Ml, age 49, died on Sunday, January 19 in Newberry, Ml, as a result of a snowmobile accident. Funeral services for Jeff will be held on Wednesday, January

22, 2003, from the United Methodist Church of Rosebush at 3 p.m. Visitation will be held on Tuesday, January 21 from 2-5 and 7-9 at the Clark Funeral Chapel, 114 S. Bradley St., Mt. Pleasant, Ml. Visitation will continue on Wednesday, January 22 at the United Methodist of Rosebush from 12 noon until the time of the service.

Memorial contributions may be made to the United Methodist Church of Rosebush Memorial Fund. Envelopes will be available at the Clark Funeral Chapel.

Jeff was born August 15, 1953, in Lansing, MI, the son of Howard M. and Rhoda J. (Antcliff) Reedy. Jeff graduated from Mt. Pleasant High School and attended Central Michigan University. He married Rhonda (House) Reedy on May 18, 1974 in Mt. Pleasant. Jeff was the owner/operator of Crawford Contracting, Inc. in Alma. Jeff had been with Crawford contracting for 20 years.

Jeff served as Board President of A.U.C (Associated Underground Contractors) for the 2022 year. He is still a present Board member. Jeff attended the Rosebush United Methodist Church, and was a member of the Pere Marquette Hunting and Fishing Club.

He was an avid hunter. Jeff's hobbies included Drag Racing, snowmobiling, golfing, playing with the kids, cooking turkeys, and hanging out with his safety group. Jeff is survived by his wife, Rhonda Reedy of Mt. Pleasant; his daughter, Andrea (Kevin) Wetherbee of Mt. Pleasant; his son Bryan (Kris) Reedy, 4 grandchildren, Austin and Alex Wetherbee and Jayme and Rikki Riley; parents, Howard and Rhoda Reedy of Florida; in-laws, Arol "Pete" and Barbara House of Rosebush, MI, grandmother, Freda Phillips of Rosebush, MI; 2 brothers, Robert (Caroline) Reedy of Trufant, MI, and Kenneth (Carolyn) Reedy of Pinckney, MI; brothers-in-law, Greg House (Sally Brown) of Rosebush, and Derrick House and (Fiancee, Terrie Cole) of Rosebush.

Jeff was preceded in death by his grandparents, sister-in-law, JoAnn House, and uncle Bill Phillips. You may share a memory at the funeral chapel or send a condolence of his family at www.clarkfuneralchapel.com.



**Darwin Ray Robbins** 

August 30, 1953 — August 31, 1997 (Aged 44)

CAUSE OF DEATH: Cancer.

**Burial: Oakwood Cemetery** 

Grand Ledge, Eaton County, Michigan

(From an article in the Grand Ledge Independent — September 9, 1997.)

Darwin R. Robbins, 44, formerly of Bay City, passed away August 31, 1997 after a 16-month courageous battle with cancer.

Mr. Robbins was an Eagle Scout, graduated from Grand Ledge High School in 1971 and attended Central Michigan University. He worked in retail sales at J.C. Penney. He is survived by his son, Nicholas of Bay City, father, Kenneth and step-mother, Linda Robbins of Lansing; brothers, David of Lansing and Edwin (Ellen) of Arlington, Texas; grand-mother; Catherine Whitney of Mason; aunts, Marilyn (George) Anderson of Mason and Eleanor (Pete) Finch of Niles; uncle, Clossen (Liz) Robbins of Lansing; niece, Krista, and nephew, Erik; special god-mother, Lynda Kill; step-brother, Ted Sevrey; step-sisters, Leona Sevrey; April Gray; three step-nieces; one step-nephew, and many cousins.

He was preceded in death by his mother Elenora, in 1989.

Prayer services were held on September 3, at Holihan-Atkin Funeral Home in Grand Ledge with Rev. Father Robert McGraw officiating.

Contributions to the American Cancer Society or Visiting Nurse Hospice.



**David Eugene Robbins** 

DATE OF PASSING: October 20, 2007 (Aged 56)

CAUSE OF DEATH: Unknown.

(From the Lansing State Journal — November 15, 2007.)

David Eugene Robbins, 55, died October 20. Graveside services 1 p.m. Friday at Oakwood Cemetery, Grand Ledge. Arrangements by Riley Funeral Home.



# Julie Ann ROTH Rosebohm

**May 24, 1952 — May 24, 1991 (Aged 39)**CAUSE OF DEATH: Homicide.

BURIAL: Oakwood Cemetery
Grand Ledge, Michigan

(From articles in the Lansing State Journal - June 26, 1991 and June 27, 1991)

# "Man Charged with murder after police discover body" Lansing State Journal June 26, 1991 article

A woman was found dead in her Lansing apartment early Saturday morning and Lansing police are considering her death the city's sixth homicide this year.

Police were called to 832  $^{1}$ /<sub>2</sub> N. Larch shortly after midnight where they were met by a man who said he had been stabbed, Lansing police Sgt. Clarence Bisson said."

After attending his needs they found the body of a white female, "he said. "We know there was a quarrel of some kind going on."

Police did not release the victim's name Saturday. The woman, who is 35 to 40 years old, was discovered in the bedroom of her upstairs apartment. Police won't describe her wounds until after autopsy results are completed. Michael Darnell Stevenson was arrested at Sparrow Hospital where he was treated for his minor cuts. He was arraigned Saturday on a murder charge and is being held in Lansing City Jail with no bond.

#### "Woman's death comes as surprise to neighbors" Lansing State Journal June 27, 1991 article

A woman found dead in her north Lansing apartment Saturday lived alone and had little contact with those who lived nearby, neighbors said Sunday.

The death of Julie Ann Rosebohm, 39, of 832 ½ N. Larch St., is Lansing's sixth homicide this year police said. "She was really quiet," said Matt Vaughn, of 832 N. Larch St. "I didn't know her that well. She was a loner."

Neighbors say the death was a shock. "I've lived here for three years, and all of a sudden it happens right next door," said Marcy Furgala, who lives at 836 N. Larch, "It was a useless and terrible death."

Michael Darnell Stevenson, who was charged with murder Saturday in connection with Rosebohm's death, lived across the street from Rosebohm at 825 N. Larch St., Vaughn said Lansing police went to the scene around midnight Friday after they received a call of a stabbing at the address. A cause of death will not be released until an autopsy is performed, police said. A quote from Julie's mother: "She was stabbed in the head three times."



Jeanette M. Schultz

March 27, 1953 — August 18, 1986 (Aged 33)

CAUSE OF DEATH: Anorexia

Burial: Evergreen Cemetery

Lansing, Ingham County, Michigan, USA

(From an article in the Lansing State Journal.)

Jeanette was in a car accident in 1974, which resulted in complications in her death.

She never married.

Died in Eaton County.

Religious services will be held at 1:00 p.m., Friday at Emanuel First Evangelical Lutheran Church with Interment in Evergreen Cemetery. The family will receive friends at the Estes-Leadley Greater Lansing Chapel from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Thursday.

Memorial contribuitions may be made to the church.



**Carolyn SHARP Meister** 

August 19, 1953 — March 23, 1993 (Aged 39)

CAUSE OF DEATH: Anorexia.

BURIAL: Delta Mills Cemetery Lansing, Michigan

(From an article in the Grand Ledge Independent.)

Carolyn Sharp Meister, 39, of Grand Ledge died March 23, 1993, at a Lansing Hospital. Mrs. Meister was a lifelong resident of the Grand Ledge area, graduating from Grand Ledge High School in 1971. She was a former employee of the John Henry Company and the State of Michigan. She enjoyed doing crafts.

Surviving are her husband; Richard; son, Ryan; step-son, Jason (Alicia) Meister of Kalamazoo; step-daughter, Lee (James) Corr of Clarksville, Tennessee; two grandchildren, Brandon and Alex Corr; father, Robert Sharp of Lansing; mother, Maxine Sharp of Panama Beach City, FL; three brothers, Thomas (Jan) Sharp of Panama Beach City, FL; Michael (Julie) Sharp of Richland, and Bruce (Julie) Sharp of Mulliken; in-laws, Carl and Helen Meister of Delta Mills; grandmother Gladys Smith of Lansing; several nieces, nephews, aunts and uncles.

Services were held March 27 at Peters and Murray Funeral Home, Grand Ledge, with Pastor Wayne Johnson officiating.

Contributions may be made to the Grand Ledge Seventh-Day Adventist Elementary School.



**Lester Allen Shugars** 

BIRTH: 1953 — DEATH: 2014

Lester Allen Shugars, age 61, of Grand Ledge, former Key Plactics employee, died Thursday. Arrangements by Peters and Murray Funeral Home, Grand Ledge.

(NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.)





# **Kerry "Top Gun" Simons**

March 9, 1952 — July 20, 2018 (Aged 66)

Kerry "Top Gun" Simons, 66, of Grand Ledge, died July 20, 2018 at home surrounded by his family. He was born March 9, 1952 in Lansing, the son of Donald and Laura Simons. He was raised in Grand Ledge and attended Grand Ledge High School, relocating to Maine after graduation.

He married Gretchen Graham on December 10, 1982 in Massachusetts. He and Gretchen started their family in Maine and decided to move home to Grand Ledge when the children were young. Kerry had a successful career as a realtor, first with Key Realty, and concluding his career with ReMAX Home Professionals. He earned the nickname "Top Gun" at the beginning of his real estate career, and earned many awards in the greater-Lansing area.

Kerry is survived by Melissa Graham, Zachary (Mercedes) Simons, Casey (Sandy) Simons, Sean (Stephanie) Dush, and Amy (Antwan) Randolph; and 18 grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Gretchen Simons in 2015, and both of his parents. A celebration of life will be planned, per Kerry's wishes, in the near future.





March 3, 1953 — February 15, 2021 (Aged 67)

Toni Lynn Combs, age 67, of Holt, MI, passed away on February 15, 2021. Toni was born March 3, 1953 in Lansing, MI, daughter of William and Carmela (Buonodono) Smith.

Toni was a loving and dedicated mother and grandmother. She was a gifted artist who loved to create and work with her hands. She used her talent to start her own soap making business in 2007. Toni was always willing to lend a helping hand if you needed it, from sewing clothes to recovering furniture, sometimes taking on so many projects at once that you might not see yours completed for quite a long time, but she always had a willing spirit. Only wanting the best for everyone around here, she believed in standing up for what was right, even when it was the unpopular thing to do. She loved to talk, laugh and tell funny stories from her past. She was loved by family, friends and neighbors.



Toni was a deeply spiritual woman. She loved Jehovah God, and she recognized that all those who exercise faith in Jesus Christ would not be disappointed. She enjoyed talking to all who would listen about the wonderful message of God's word. Toni is asleep in God's memory until the resurrection when death will be no more (Rev. 21:4).

Toni is survived by her daughters, Jennifer Combs-Rivas and Alexandra (Daniel) Bestwick; son, Jordan (Samantha) Wade; grandchildren, Irah (Jared) De Luca, Easton Rivas, Addison Rivas,

Madelynn Rivas, Zayra Lopez, Noelia Lopez, Lilliana Wade, Jayce Wade and Jagger Wade; father, William Smith (Delores Vanneste-Smith); sisters, Cindi (Jim) Webster, Robbi (Thomas) Goodine and Tiffani Smith; and many dearly loved nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her mother, Carmela Smith; sister, Shari Dean and brother, Bryan Smith.

At her request no public services will be held.

Online condolences may be shared with the family at www.petersandmurrayfuneralhome.com.



James "Jim" F. Staffen

September 24, 1953 — February 25, 1998 (Aged 44)

CAUSE OF DEATH: Cancer.

**Burial: Oakwood Cemetery** 

Grand Ledge, Eaton County, Michigan.

(From a newspaper article — March 31, 1998.)



James F. Staffen, 44, of Boulder Creek, California, formerly of Grand Ledge, went to be with the Lord February 25, 1998, after a courageous fight with Cancer. He was the son of Ronald and Lois Staffen of Lansing. Mr. Staffen was a 1971 graduate of Grand Ledge High School and graduated from Olivet College in 1975. Mr. Staffen was chief executive officer for Joint Solutions Marketing of Santa Cruz, California.

Surviving are wife, Joan; son, Adam, daughter, Danielle; sister Patti (Robert) Crampton of Hubbell; aunts, Barbara (Donald) Dunham of Topinabee; Sylvia Irvine and Alice Perez of Lansing; and niece, Jamie (Kirk) LaBonte of Calumet. Memorial services are to be held at a later date.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Michael.

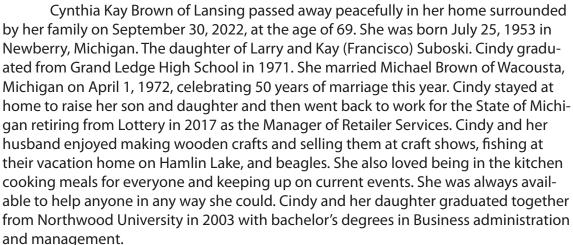
Memorial services will be held Saturday, March 28, at 11:00 a.m. at the First Congregational United Church of Christ, Grand Ledge, with Rev. John Baumgartner, officiating.



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Cynthia Kay Suboski Brown

July 25, 1953 — September 30, 2022 (Aged 69)



Cindy was preceded in death by her parents. She is survived by her husband, Michael; son, Bryan (Dawn Bender) Brown; daughter, Melissa (Ryan) Charbonneau; 5 grandchildren; close cousin, Ruth Alexander; step-sister, Molly Brown and brothers and sisters-in-law, nieces. nephews, aunts, uncles and cousins.

Cindy will always be remembered for her good meals, quick wit, and as a loving and caring person by her family, friends, and co-workers. She touched the life of many people and will be missed by all. Arrangements by the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge.



James "Jim" A. Taylor
September 15, 1952 — July 21, 2008 (Aged 56)

CAUSE OF DEATH: Cancer.

BURIAL: Meadowbrook Cemetery

Mulliken, Michigan

(From a newspaper article — August 3, 2008.)

James A. Taylor, age 56, of Mulliken, died Monday, July 21, 2008 at his home following a long illness. Taylor was born September 15, 1952, the son of Maurice and Barbara (Bigford) Taylor. He was a graduate of Grand Ledge High School, an Air force Vietnam Veteran, and a television-radio repairman. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Surviving are his sister, Shirley (Jesse) Freeman of Scottsdale, Arizona; two nieces, Shanna Ahrendt and Peggy Sue Ekstrom; step-father, Bill McDiarmid of Mulliken; step-sisters, Shella Stank of Lake Odessa and Vickkie Czech of Ionia; aunt, Ellie Bigford of Grand Ledge; uncle, Lehman (Ida) Taylor of Phoenix, Arizona; and several cousins.

Memorial services were held Friday, July 18 at Barker-Leik Funeral Home, Mulliken, with Samuel Graham officiation. Inurnment was in Meadowbrook Cemetery.



**Robert B. Thompson** 

February 12, 1953 — March 17, 2015 (Aged 62)

Robert B. Thompson, born February 12, 1953 in Lansing, MI, passed away March 17, 2015 at the age of 62. Robert was a longtime valued employee for 18 years at Hearns Enterprises as a contract postal truck sorter and delivery driver. He was a graduate of Grand Ledge High School, Class of 1971, where he competed as a diver on the swim team. Robert's love for animals is what led him to be an active foster home for rescue animals. He enjoyed watching and feeding the birds and squirrels; especially enjoyed riding his Harley Davidson.



Survivors include his mother, Paula; brother Ronald (James Ekhardt) Thompson; sisters, Kathleen Carpenter and Denise (Jerry) Clay; stepchildren, Lester and Crystal; and former sister-in-law, Sharon Thompson-Campau. He was predeceased by his father, Vernon; wife Patricia (Pease) Thompson; and brother-in-law Gregory Carpenter.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, March 21, 2015 - 11:00 a.m. at Peters & Murray Funeral Home, Grand Ledge, with interment to follow at Oakwood Cemetery, Grand Ledge. The family will receive friends at the funeral home Friday from 6-8 p.m. and one hour prior to service time. For those desiring, memorial contributions may be given to Capital Area Humane Society in memory of Robert Thompson. Online condolences may be shared at www.petersandmurrayfuneralhome.com.

### Michael E. Treloar

February 9, 1951 — May 2, 2017 (Aged 66)

Michael E. Treloar, age 66 of Lake, passed away peacefully at his home on Tuesday, May 2, 2017. In keeping with Michael's wishes, cremation has taken place and a memorial service is to be planned at a later date.

( NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.)



# **Deborah Ann WEATHERBY Young**

October 14, 1953 — February 10, 2020 (Aged 66)

Deborah Ann Young, age 66, passed away peacefully on February 10th, 2020.

She was born October 14th, 1953 in Greenfield, Iowa to Arthur and Lois Weatherby. After graduating from Grand Ledge High School in 1971, she ventured to Northern Michigan University where she met and married her husband, Dirk. They lived in Marquette for years and made many life-long friends.



Although she was an lowa girl who hated the cold, she lived in Michigan most of her life. She cherished her summers by the pool surrounded by family and friends and always enjoyed a good party, whether it be in the backyard or on one of many family vacations.

Debbie was a consummate list-maker and kept the family organized. Many family events would not have been possible if not for her meticulous planning and task cards for family members.

As a long-time secretary of Neff Elementary, Debbie was a caring presence in the lives of countless children and their families in the community. She made many dear friends through her involvement in Grand Ledge Child Study, PTO, and her children's many sporting events.

Debbie is survived by Dirk, her husband of 44 years, her three children Dustin, Adam, and Caitlin, her two daughters-in-law Keri and Paige, her granddaughters Lindsay (John) Wilcox, Lennon and Brett McCuen, her father Art, her brothers Barry (Debbie) and Craig, her sisters Marcy (Dan) Parker and Cindy Tousignaut, her sister-in-law Nikki (Brian) Vandermoere, her brothers-in-law Doug (Claire), Brett (Linda), Ward (Sharon), Scott (Sue), Kurt, Rock (Kate), Mike (Kim), sister-in-law Mary (Doug) Heidel, and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her mother Lois, her brother Brian, and brother-in-law Rob.

She will always be remembered for her quick wit and her bright smile that lit up the room.

The family will receive visitors at a celebration of her life on Sunday, February 16th between 2 and 5 p.m. at The Annex at Bridge and Main, 219 N. Bridge Street, Grand Ledge, MI. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made in her memory to The Alzheimer's Association at alz.org. Online condolences may be placed at www.petersand-murrayfuneralhome.com



Roberta K. WIGHT Beagle

April 2, 1953 — June 22, 2003 (Aged 50)

Roberta K. Wight Beagle, Delta Township, age 50, returned home to our Lord and the angels on June 22, 2003. Roberta was born April 2, 1953 in Lansing, the daughter of Kenneth and Gertrude Wight. Roberta graduated from Grand Ledge High School in 1971. She married Mark Beagle on Sept. 23, 1972. They have a daughter, Molly, and a son, Adam. Roberta enjoyed music all of her life and was a member of a number of church choirs. She also enjoyed reading, swim-

ming, crafts, and vacations at Mackinaw and Walt Disney World. Her foremost priority was her home and family, who will miss her dearly. She was preceded in death by her father, Kenneth Wight, and her father-in-law Chester B. Beagle. Roberta is survived by her husband Mark, their two children, Molly and Adam; her mother Gertrude Wight; mother-in-law, Jean Beagle, and her sister Barbara Medina. She also leaves several brothers and sisters-in-law, as well as a host of nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Funeral Services will be held Wednesday, June 25, 2003, 11:00 a.m., at the First United Methodist Church, 3827 Delta River Drive, Lansing, with Rev. Stephen Weinberger officiating. Interment will follow in Hillside Cemetery. The family will receive relatives and friends, Tuesday, June 24, 2-4 & 6-8 p.m., at the Palmer-Bush Delta Chapel. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to the First United Methodist Church in memory of Roberta.



Donald "Don" H. Wiseman

April 17, 1953 — September 16, 2009 (Aged 56)

Burial: Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens

DeWitt, Clinton County, Michigan, USA

(From a newspaper article — September 20, 2009.)



Donald H. Wiseman, 56, of Reedsburg, WI, formerly of Cumming, GA and Grand Ledge passed away on September 16, 2009 at his home surrounded by his family.

Donald was preceded in death by his parents, Harold and Geneva Wiseman.

He is survived by his sisters, Janice (Paul) Weber, Linda Cooley; brother, David Wiseman, his beloved dog, Jack and his wonderful friends at Montanas.

A private graveside service will be held. Roseberry's Funeral Home is assisting..