



## David Jon Orrison

November 15, 1941 - December 20, 2018

David Jon Orrison, a self-taught, hardworking, and extremely dedicated carpenter, died Thursday, December 20, 2018 with his family by his side. David, 77, of Potterville, MI, was born November 15, 1941, in Marshall, MI to Guilford and Dorothy (Sipe) Orrison. He graduated from Marshall high school in 1959. Following high school David created David J. Orrison Inc. June 30, 1979, David married Marilyn Anne Bartlett and they would spend the next 39 years creating their legacy. His biggest passion in life was his carpentry work. He loved doing woodwork, remodeling old homes, and most importantly doing trim work. David has done trim work throughout the entire state, for large companies and small, but each job meant so much to him. When David was not working with wood he enjoyed, feeding the birds, watching the wildlife on his property, watching The Michigan State Spartans, and golfing. Attending his grandchildren's sporting events also meant so much to David. Even if the event was out of state he could be found in the stands.

David is survived by his wife, Marilyn; children, Jason Smith, Jennifer (Juan) Mena, Michelle Smith, Melissa Alvarado, David Jon Orrison Jr, and Melissa Jo; grandchildren, Benjamin, Adam, Elisabeth, William, Robert, Juan, Bonifacio, Casey, and Josie; great-granddaughter, Emmalee; siblings, Donna Gutchess, Janet (Ken) Embury, Michael (Connie) Orrison. David is predeceased by his parents and daughter, Karen Orrison.

Friends and family are encouraged to share memories of David on his Tribute Page at [www.PrayFuneral.com](http://www.PrayFuneral.com). The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

# Tribute Wall

JD

“ Dave hired me right out of High School back in 1987. He was the hardest boss but I learned a lot from him than any other. He taught me how to play golf on the sunny days when he felt like golfing instead of working. He was a great guy and the best trim carpenter out there. Because of him, I now own my own business. He will be greatly missed. Our condolences to all of you. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

*Jeff & Cheryl Donley*

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**Jeff Donley** - December 28, 2018 at 06:14 PM

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“ It was always a pleasure to work with David. He was a hardworking kind and sincere man. He not only left his mark on many projects, but more importantly a lasting impression of his outstanding character. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers.

*Ken Schafer (LD Clark Building Co.)*

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**K Schafer** - December 27, 2018 at 07:57 AM

JB

“ David helped build our dream home in 1981, adding many extras that we requested. His knowledge and expertise was outstanding. David was a wonderful person and a joy to be around. I'm so sorry for your loss. Jamie Bray

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**Jamie Bray** - December 23, 2018 at 11:14 AM

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“ We are sorry for the loss of your husband, father, and grandfather. We have been told some wonderful stories about him. Your in our prayers. Love, Chuck and Leslie Swan

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**Chuck and Leslie Swan** - December 21, 2018 at 06:27 AM