



Clarence 'Larry' W Craver

August 21, 1948 - November 6, 2022

Clarence "Larry" W. Craver passed away on November 6, 2022, at Flint-McLaren Hospital after an unexpected fall at his home. He fought a valiant fight, but Jesus did call him home and gave him the peace he needed. Larry was born in Grand Rapids, Michigan, and grew up in Clarksville, graduating from Lakewood in 1966 and was a long-time resident of Olivet, Michigan.

He retired from the Eaton County Sheriff's Department in 2003 and then began to enjoy his last 19 years. He and wife Judi purchased a cabin in the woods of Luce County, north of Newberry near Lake Superior. Larry spent hours upon hours hunting for that perfect agate and sitting with Judi watching glorious sunsets together. He also enjoyed taking part in the re-enactments of the French and Indian war era, the 1700s, with his beloved muzzle loading buds and their newest game, trying to shoot bowling pins with their flintlock rifles. He spent hours making powder horns, leather bags and wooden boxes to go with his encampment and collecting items to create the perfect effect he wanted to accomplish. His lifelong dream was to have a Harley-Davidson and ride the wind, he had not one, but he succeeded in having two. Larry and Judi loved exploring the many junk and antique shops for that one special thing he could not live without. He loved his family and was so very proud of the accomplishments they all have made in growing up and spreading their wings.

His spirit will continue through the love of his life, Judi; having 42 blessed

years of marriage together which began on February 9, 1980. He also leaves behind daughter, Tracie (Larry) Somerset; son, Chad Czerneski; grandchildren, Adam (Danielle) Lampe, Mercer Hardy, Joshua (Alexis) Lampe, Carleigh, Collin and Chad Czerneski Jr.; great-grandchildren, Jaxon and Anna Lampe, Mikah and Lukas Lampe; sisters, Doris (David) Middleton, Helen (Richard) Pluth; brother, Steve (Sherri) Craver; sister-in-law Nancy (Robert) Bach; brother-in-law, Thomas (Debi) Chapman; multiple nieces, nephews, great-nieces and nephews; and great-great-nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Clarence W. Craver Sr.; mother, Eileen (Hathaway) Craver Ellis; son Adam Craver; brothers, Paul and William Frost; sister, Barbara Harrington; nephew, Jeff Shellenbarger; and father and mother-in-law, Bart and Connie Chapman.

Friends are encouraged to support Larry's family by attending services or sharing memories on his Tribute Page at www.prayfuneral.com. Join the family at the Eaton Area Senior Center in Charlotte for a Life Celebration at 6:00 PM, Wednesday November 16th with Pastor Charles Jenson officiating followed by refreshments and a time to share your favorite stories about Larry.

The funeral will be web cast so you may watch it from any computer, smart phone, or mobile device that has internet access. Go to www.prayfuneral.com click on Larry's tribute, then click on Photos and Videos from your computer (or Media from your smart phone).

In lieu of flowers Judith has requested donations be made to the charity of your choice.

The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

NOV **16**. 6:00 PM (ET)

Eaton Area Senior Center
804 S Cochran Ave
Charlotte, MI 48813-2232
(517) 541-2934

Refreshments and Story Telling

NOV **16**. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Webcast in memory of Clarence 'Larry' W Craver



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - November 16, 2022 at 04:47 PM



“ Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Clarence 'Larry' W Craver



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - November 12, 2022 at 01:14 PM

BB

A very special man, see you later and get to talk again ❤️❤️❤️Bob and Nanci

bob and nanci bach - November 13, 2022 at 11:29 AM

AC

Sad to hear of his passing, such a great guy. I'll think of him everytime I look at or use the longbow I bought from him. R.I.P. Larry

Andrew Clafin - February 02, 2023 at 01:26 PM

WS

“ May the family have peace! “Larry” was a great friend to all and very well love by a great number of people it was a joy to know him and call him a friend for life. Me personally I wish I had taking more time with him because, I to enjoy the out doors , hunting and family! He well be so very much missed. Wild Bill

Be at peace now “Larry”! Till we meet again!



william Sobleskey - November 15, 2022 at 07:16 PM

RC

“ Gonna miss this gentle giant. Larry was loved by all. I would enjoy his company at My Place Diner. Loved to swap stories with him from time to time. Ride High Bro Larry...

Ron (Boogie) Colson - November 13, 2022 at 07:55 PM

KF

“ Wonderful memories of Larry while growing up. Fly high ❤️

Kim Fillmore - November 13, 2022 at 04:08 PM



“ 62 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - November 12, 2022 at 01:10 PM

RC

“ *Larry was a true gentleman with a big heart. All who had the pleasure of knowing him will have a hole in their heart that will take a long time to heal. We had a lot of chuckles and laughs together. Every time I have a sip of bourbon Larry will be on my mind. See you down the trail, Friend. Bigfoot*

R. Bigfoot Cassady - November 12, 2022 at 11:59 AM

JD

I wish Larry and I had more time together. We always had a good time together. He was my favorite cousin. I will miss him a lot.
Jim DeBres

James DeBres - November 12, 2022 at 05:42 PM

SH

“ Had heard the name several times through BigFoot Finally him at Dusty's this fall Very fine Gentelmanly man you know there is something special just by talking and watching and listening to him. Would liked to have been able to get to know him more but very greatful for the time i had. Steven Harris known as ROUNDMAN from WV.

Steven Harris - November 10, 2022 at 08:39 PM

SP

“ Always proud to call Larry a friend. He was a pleasant man, with a good sense of humor, and was a pleasure to have around camp. We will all miss him terribly.



Steve "Frosty" Phillips - November 10, 2022 at 06:01 PM

JA

“ Rest in peace my friend. I have been blessed with your presence for many years in the woods. You were a fine example of what man should be. Godspeed and may God bless your family.

Jerry Annis



Jerry Annis - November 10, 2022 at 12:00 PM



“ *Angel of Remembrance was purchased for the family of Clarence 'Larry' W Craver.*



November 09, 2022 at 09:20 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Judi Craver - November 09, 2022 at 03:37 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Eaton County Sheriff Department*



Richard Deer - November 08, 2022 at 03:26 PM