



## David Eugene Pritchard

January 12, 1978 - January 16, 2025

David Eugene Pritchard, affectionately known as 'Dude Dave,' passed away on January 16, 2025. Born on January 12, 1978, in Charlotte, Mich., Dave filled our lives with laughter and love.

Dave was a talented artist with a flair for the extraordinary. His creativity knew no bounds, from his intricate wood carvings like the picnic table adorned with turtles, to his unique invention - a fraculator crafted from a microwave. Known affectionately as "hi-lo Dave" during his time at C & I Plastics, he brought joy and camaraderie to every workplace, including stints at Shyft and Eaton County Health and Rehabilitation Center.

His passions were as diverse as his talents. Dave loved taking walks, embracing the great outdoors. Music filled his soul, with concerts being a family favorite - especially when Slipknot was on stage. Annual trips north to Cheboygan and the lively "Last Hurrah" family gatherings were treasured traditions that showcased his love for adventure and togetherness.

Dave's infectious laugh, loud mouth, and immense love for his family were the heartbeats of his life. He was deeply proud of his wife and children, always striving to be the best dad he could be. His favorite word, "Dude," was a reflection of his laid-back and friendly spirit that endeared him to all.

Family was the cornerstone of Dave's life. He was deeply devoted to his wife, Cynthia Pritchard, and his children, Harley, Tyler, and the late Brady Pritchard. His greatest joy was being a father, and he strived every day to be the best dad he could be.

He is lovingly remembered by his wife, Cynthia Pritchard; his daughter, Harley Pritchard; and his son, Tyler Pritchard. Dave also leaves behind his mother, Penny Burt; sisters, Alishia (Tom Potter) Pritchard and Faith (Thomas) Childress; step-brother, Dale Burt; and a large extended family, including father- and mother-in-law, Abel and Lisa Anzaldua; sister-in-law, Christina (Clint) Litzenberg; brother-in-law, Jose (Wendy) Anzaldua; grandmother, Marion Pelto; and many nieces, nephews, and friends who adored him.

He now joins his son, Brady Pritchard; father, David Allen Pritchard; step-brother, Adam Burt; grandparents, Sharon and Stuart Windon; great-grandmother, Celia Kilgore; and best friend, Chad Johnson.

As we reflect on Dave's life, we celebrate a man whose creativity, humor, and unwavering love touched us all. His spirit lives on in the joyful memories we share and the love he instilled in his family and friends.

A celebration of Dave's life will be held on Thursday, January 23, 2025. Visitation will take place from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., followed by a Funeral Service at 1:00 p.m. with Laura Cooper officiating at Pray Funeral Home in Charlotte. Followed by interment at Benton Township Cemetery in Potterville. The funeral will be webcast so you may watch it from any computer, smartphone, or mobile device that has internet access. Go to [www.prayfuneral.com](http://www.prayfuneral.com), click on Dave's tribute, then click on Photos and Videos from your computer (or Media from your smart phone). Friends are encouraged to support Dave's family by attending services or sharing memories on his Tribute Page at [www.prayfuneral.com](http://www.prayfuneral.com). The family is in the care of Pray

Funeral Home, Charlotte.

# Cemetery Details

## Benton Township Cemetery

3775 E. Vermontville Hwy.  
Potterville, MI 48876

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 23. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Pray Funeral Home  
401 W Seminary St  
Charlotte, MI 48813

## Funeral

JAN 23. 1:00 PM (ET)

Pray Funeral Home  
401 W Seminary St  
Charlotte, MI 48813

## Burial

JAN 23 (ET)

Benton Township Cemetery  
3775 E. Vermontville Hwy.  
Potterville, MI 48876



# Tribute Wall



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Webcast in memory of David Eugene Pritchard*

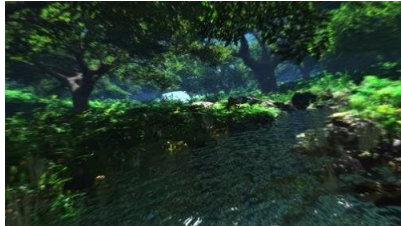


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**Pray Funeral Home, Inc.** - January 23, 2025 at 10:24 AM



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of David Eugene Pritchard*



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**Pray Funeral Home, Inc.** - January 22, 2025 at 08:59 PM

PB

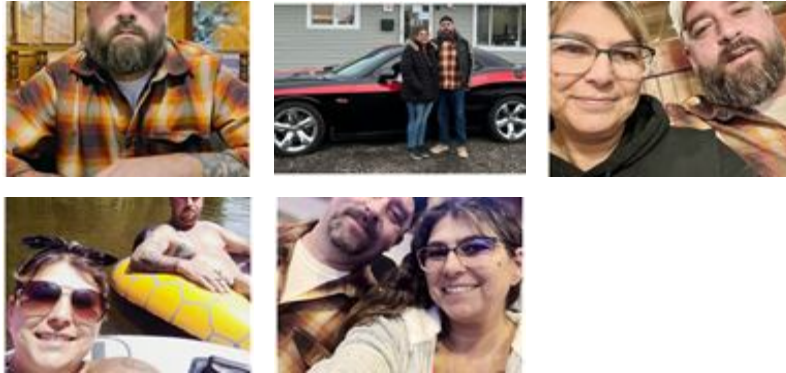
*I loved you from the day you were born and I always will mom*

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**Penny K Burt** - January 23, 2025 at 12:57 PM



“ 48 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



**Pray Funeral Home, Inc.** - January 22, 2025 at 09:00 PM



“ *Bountiful Memories Casket Spray* was purchased for the family of *David Eugene Pritchard*.



January 21, 2025 at 06:53 PM



“ *Love Vickie n ray* purchased the *Serene Retreat* for the family of *David Eugene Pritchard*.



**Love Vickie n ray** - January 21, 2025 at 06:19 PM

MF

“ *Melissa Rawson and family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of David Eugene Pritchard.*



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**Melissa Rawson and family** - January 20, 2025 at 11:03 AM

MF

“ *Melissa Rawson and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David Eugene Pritchard.*

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**Melissa Rawson and family** - January 20, 2025 at 11:03 AM

DC

“ *Don, Steph, Korey, Brit, Bo & Christa purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of David Eugene Pritchard.*



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**Don, Steph, Korey, Brit, Bo & Christa** - January 20, 2025 at 09:04 AM

JH

“ One time we were fishing on a lake that we were told not to be on, Dave came running at me and told me to run. I was thinking the owner had a gun or something so I ran as fast as possible until we came to the river. I said dave did they have a gun or what did he see? He responded by telling me he had stepped in a bees nest. I was like you had me run for my life over bees! He said their was a lot of them and it most have been a big hive. I always thought of the time I ran from bees that I never seen. As if I was on loony tunes and I was Daffy Duck and he was bugs bunny. lol. Not the only time he had stepped on something bad in the woods, but at least it wasn't a nail like the other time messing about. He was definitely a man of the outdoors.

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**Jamie Hamlin** - January 19, 2025 at 09:52 PM

JH

“ Jamie Hamlin planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David Eugene Pritchard.

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**Jamie Hamlin** - January 19, 2025 at 06:53 PM

JH

“ Jamie Hamlin purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of David Eugene Pritchard.



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**Jamie Hamlin** - January 19, 2025 at 06:53 PM

JB

“ My prayers are with all the family..

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**Jennifer Broskey** - January 19, 2025 at 04:06 PM

RF

“ Roger and Mary Fuller purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of David Eugene Pritchard.



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**Roger and Mary Fuller** - January 19, 2025 at 10:43 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of David Eugene Pritchard.

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January 18, 2025 at 06:36 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams* was purchased for the family of David Eugene Pritchard.



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January 18, 2025 at 06:36 PM

PW

“ *The memories I love of Dave and his family are all the pictures of him with his family enjoying life with them....always Mom, Harley, Tyler, Brady... and Dad, Dave. So, many dads are too busy for all that family stuff but, not Dave..he is always with them...fishing, walking, concerts and just together ...the whole family always making memories. I never saw a bad side of him...always smiling and laughing with family..that handsome “Dude” , husband, father and friend will be missed by many.*

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**Pamela Woodruff** - January 18, 2025 at 05:11 PM



*Rest Easy Dave*

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**MaryFuller** - January 18, 2025 at 05:39 PM