



Duane Paul Shipman

October 20, 1949 - February 3, 2019

Duane Paul Shipman, 69, of Vermontville, MI, passed away Sunday, February 3, 2019 at his home. Duane was born October 20, 1949, in Hastings, MI, the son of Paul Eli and R. Louise (Dow) Shipman. After graduating high school, Duane started his career at General Motors while attending college. After two years, he enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps, serving 4 years, partly as a member of the Marine fast-pitch softball team. Upon his return, he soon met the love of his life, Donna Lee Turpin. The two married on September 18, 1976 and settled into family life, raising three children. Duane retired from GM in 2002, after 35 years of service. In his retirement, he shared his lifetime love of hunting, fishing and sports with his family and friends, especially his four grandchildren.

Duane is survived by his wife of 42 years, Donna Shipman; daughter, Heather (Jaime) Rittenhouse; sons, Daniel Shipman and Stephen Shipman; grandchildren, Cameron, Tyler, Matthew, and Kaitlyn; and his brother, Mark (Kim) Shipman. He is predeceased by his parents; and his siblings, Linda Burt and Gary Shipman.

Friends are encouraged to support Duane's family at visitation and funeral services. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11:00 AM on Friday, February 8, 2019 at St. Mary Catholic Church in Charlotte with Rev. Fr. Dwight Ezop officiating. Visitation will be from 1-3:00 PM and 6-8:00 PM with a Rosary

Service at 5:30 PM on Thursday, February 7, 2019 at Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte. If desired, the family suggests memorial contributions to the American Heart Association or VFW Post 2406. Friends and family are encouraged to share memories of Duane on his Tribute Page at www.PrayFuneral.com. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 7. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Pray Funeral Home
401 W. Seminary St.
Charlotte, MI 48813

Rosary

FEB 7. 5:30 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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Visitation

FEB 7. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Mass

FEB 8. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary Catholic Church
807 St. Mary Boulevard
Charlotte, MI 48813

Tribute Wall



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Webcast in memory of Duane Paul Shipman*



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - February 08, 2019 at 10:13 AM



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Duane Paul Shipman*



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - February 06, 2019 at 05:30 PM



“ *Donna, Heather, Dan and Steve,
Our heartfelt sympathy to your family. We send our love and support to all of you.
God Bless Duane and your whole family.*

Alan and Connie Sklapsky - February 07, 2019 at 11:10 AM



“ 32 files added to the album Life Tributes



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - February 06, 2019 at 04:28 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Duane Paul Shipman .



February 06, 2019 at 11:17 AM



“ Great Lakes Family Dental Group purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Duane Paul Shipman .



Great Lakes Family Dental Group - February 06, 2019 at 09:56 AM

JB

“ Janet Baughman lit a candle in memory of Duane Paul Shipman



Janet Baughman - February 06, 2019 at 08:34 AM

KE

“ Kendal, Janet, Glenn, Maria & Ian, Linda & Emma purchased the I Have You In My Heart Plush Blanket for the family of Duane Paul Shipman



Kendal, Janet, Glenn, Maria & Ian, Linda & Emma - February 06, 2019 at 08:30 AM

BK

“ Beverly Kelley lit a candle in memory of Duane Paul Shipman



Beverly kelley - February 05, 2019 at 10:09 PM



“ Marciea Shipman lit a candle in memory of Duane Paul Shipman



Marciea Shipman - February 05, 2019 at 06:02 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Duane Paul Shipman .*



February 05, 2019 at 05:31 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Duane Paul Shipman .*



February 05, 2019 at 05:18 PM



“ *Jim Turpin lit a candle in memory of Duane Paul Shipman*



Jim Turpin - February 05, 2019 at 03:05 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. We are sorry for your loss. We are not able to be there with you but we send our love and we will be thinking of you 🙏❤️🙏❤️🙏❤️*

Nancy & Larry - February 05, 2019 at 11:54 AM

RG

“ Roger Grasman lit a candle in memory of Duane Paul Shipman



Roger Grasman - February 05, 2019 at 11:14 AM

DG

“ Debbie Grasman lit a candle in memory of Duane Paul Shipman



Debbie Grasman - February 05, 2019 at 11:09 AM

DG

“ One of the most fun memories I have of Duane is on festival Friday . Donna and Roger we're already at festival and Duane and I had to work so he was picking me up to go after we worked. We sat at the kitchen table and talked and laughed until we had tears running down our cheeks! We had such a great time just talking but mostly laughing. I will always remember that - Thank you for all the Great times! You will be remembered and missed. Debbie

Debbie Grasman - February 05, 2019 at 11:08 AM

RG

“ We had many great memories over the years. When the kids were in boy scouts, hunting and more. You were always there to help. Thank you so much, you will be missed

Roger Grasman - February 05, 2019 at 11:03 AM

ND

“ *Nancy Davis lit a candle in memory of Duane Paul Shipman*



Nancy Davis - February 05, 2019 at 10:49 AM