



## Earl John McCafferty

May 20, 1944 - December 2, 2020

Earl "John" McCafferty, 76, of Dimondale, a Christian man of Faith, was welcomed into Heaven on Wednesday, December 2, 2020 in Lansing. John was born May 20, 1944 in Lansing, the son of Earl John and Virginia (Johnson) (McCafferty) Gibbons. John married Rosalie Pauline Richey on August 29, 1964 in Bath, MI. He worked 35 years at Oldsmobile, retiring in 1998. John was also an amazing artist, woodworker, and fabricator. In retirement he enjoyed his summer home on Drummond Island, fishing, and spending time with his family. He was a wonderful husband, father, and very involved "Bapa" to his only grandchild.

John is survived by his wife, Rosalie McCafferty; daughter, Wendy (Jerry) Couchman; son, Troy McCafferty; grandson, Dane (Ivy) McCafferty; siblings, Beverly (Ralph) Anderson, Georgia (Jim) Williamson, Marguerite Gonzales, Judy Robison, and Steve (Hollie) McCafferty; and many nieces and nephews and great nieces and nephews.

A memorial service is scheduled for June 5, 2021, at 1:00 PM in the Pray Funeral Home Gardens, with visitation from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the Drummond Island Baptist Church Building Fund. Friends and family are encouraged to share memories of John on his Tribute Page at [www.PrayFuneral.com](http://www.PrayFuneral.com). The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.



# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 5. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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

## Memorial Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Webcast in memory of Earl John McCafferty*



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**Pray Funeral Home, Inc.** - June 05, 2021 at 12:37 PM



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Earl John McCafferty*



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**Pray Funeral Home, Inc.** - June 01, 2021 at 02:01 PM



“ 41 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Pray Funeral Home, Inc.** - June 01, 2021 at 01:53 PM

RJ

“ *Our condolences to Steve and the rest of the family. Bob and I remember your stories of summer visits on Drummond. I'm sure he will be missed.*  
*Bob and Rae*

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**Rae Johnson** - December 06, 2020 at 03:11 PM

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“ *We only met John three summers ago after moving to Drummond Island. He walked over one beautiful summer afternoon to introduce himself. We have looked forward to John and Rosalie's return to the island each spring ever since and will miss him very much. He was always ready to help on a project. We will never forget how John came to our rescue when we were taking out our dock for second time. Things were not going well until he came over to help. We will think of John every time we use the cedar porch swing he made for us. He was a true craftsman.*

*Sharon and Mike Zajac*

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**Sharon Zajc** - December 05, 2020 at 09:18 AM

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“ Our love to you Rosalie and your family. We are so very sorry for your great loss! John was a great man and he'll be greatly missed !

Peggy and Gene Isham - December 04, 2020 at 10:59 AM



Georgia  
Williamson

“ My brother John could build anything you could ever want. When he was just 5 years old he installed a switch in a closet on the farm. We use to go frogging and bring them back to house to skin and cook them. Can't afford frog legs now, They are delicious. He help us build two pole barns on Shaftsbury road, install kitchen cupboards and put up new siding. He talked brother Steve into helping out. If you had brothers like them you couldn't ask for any better. While they were working on pole barns i cooked them supper, introduce them to hamburger gravy, they were not impressed when they look at it, but i told them try it you will like it. One time we had spaghetti, there was about one serving left and John ask Steve if he wanted it. They share it and Jim sat there just looking at them. And jokily said, i wanted some. One in a million!

Georgia Williamson - December 03, 2020 at 09:56 PM



Loved your memories Georgia!

Hollie McCafferty - December 05, 2020 at 09:19 AM



Wendy  
Mccaffer

Thank you Georgia. I love that story about my Dad doing electrical work as a "baby".

Wendy Mccafferty Couchman - December 06, 2020 at 04:08 PM

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“ *Angie And Chuck Grantham lit a candle in memory of Earl John McCafferty*



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**Angie and Chuck Grantham** - December 03, 2020 at 07:03 PM

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“ *Lisa And Carrie lit a candle in memory of Earl John McCafferty*



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**Lisa and Carrie** - December 03, 2020 at 06:14 PM