



Edward "Ted" Ells

April 27, 1932 - May 24, 2018

Edward "Ted" Ells, a deeply devoted and loving father and grandfather passed away peacefully on May 24, 2018, in Charlotte, MI, at the age of 86. Ted was born April 27, 1932, the son of William and Aletha (Root) Ells. He graduated from Charlotte High School in 1950 with a letter in every sport. Soon after, he enlisted in the Army National Guard and served 9 years. Ted married the love of his life, Ann Ruth McMillen on November 14, 1953 and the two enjoyed 43 years together before her death on January 22, 1996. He worked for General Motors for 32 years, never missing a day of work. He retired in 1997 and continued an active lifestyle as a member of the Charlotte Moose Club, the American Legion, and the Charlotte Fraternal order of Eagles #3552. He enjoyed showing off his Eagle membership card with an expiration in the year 3042. Ted enjoyed Tuesday breakfast with his cousins, and started many adult soft ball fast pitch leagues as pitcher. He enjoyed his daily routines, stubbornly sticking to them throughout the years. Many will remember Ted as a very generous friend to many, with a prankster sense of humor and always making others smile. He treated everyone he knew as family, and knew someone everywhere he went. Above all, Ted loved his children and grandchildren.

Ted is survived by his daughters, Ann (Scott) Britton of Charlotte; Rebecca (Gary) Bala of Mulliken; Tina Ells (Dale) of Olivet, Debra Jones (Mark) of Arizona; son, Ed (Tiffany) of Colorado; 13 grandchildren, Bob, Tresa, Levi, Casie, Jason, Blake, Karli, Devin, Paige, Morgan, Lindsay, Olivia, and Logan;

15 great-grandchildren; loving sister, Marilyn (Carroll) Briggs of Charlotte; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, William and Aletha; sister, Elaine; brothers, Maynard (Mickey), Willard (Bill), Donald; and his wife of 43 years, Anna.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 29, 2018 at Pray Funeral Home with Pastor Charles Jenson officiating. Visitation will be from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. with an Eagle's Service of Remembrance at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, May 28, 2018 at the funeral home. Interment will take place in Maple Hill Cemetery. If desired, the family suggests memorial contributions to McLaren Hospice of Lansing. Friends and family are encouraged to share memories of Ted on his Tribute Page at www.PrayFuneral.com. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

Cemetery Details

Maple Hill Cemetery

801 Tully Brown Rd.
Charlotte, MI 48813

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 28. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Funeral Ceremony

MAY 29. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Edward "Ted" Ells*



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - May 27, 2018 at 12:11 AM



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Webcast in memory of Edward "Ted" Ells*



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - May 25, 2018 at 04:19 PM



“ *Becky and family, Love and Hugs to you all. God Speed.....Renee*

Renée Poirier - May 29, 2018 at 11:03 AM

LM

“ *Linda McDiarmid lit a candle in memory of Edward "Ted" Ells*



Linda McDiarmid - May 28, 2018 at 09:15 PM

AT

“ *AG. Twitchell lit a candle in memory of Edward "Ted" Ells*



AG. Twitchell - May 28, 2018 at 05:52 AM

GM

“ *Sorry to hear Ann. I just saw you and I think him a few weeks ago.*
Gregory L. Miller
Class of Charlotte 1982

Gregory L. Miller - May 27, 2018 at 07:44 PM

WP

You are in my thoughts often ,an will be deeply missed, Uncle Ted

wm priesman - May 29, 2018 at 11:21 AM



“ 43 files added to the album LifeTributes



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - May 26, 2018 at 11:05 PM

CB

“ I did not know Ted, but do know great families in Charlotte, and other great men in that community and from what I read of this man, husband, father, grandfather and contributor to his country, employer and community, there's no doubt a wonderful man has Charlotte and our presence for his welcomed homecoming this Memorial Day weekend. Ann, Scott and family, thoughts from your Oregon Britton family. Time will heal, praying peace for you during this time.

Chuck Britton - May 26, 2018 at 10:10 AM

AC

My sympathy to Ted's family. He was a fine man and I was lucky to have him in my life. I'll remember him fondly as a great Dad in the neighborhood and fellow worker at GM. He was always good to me and my late father Norm Campbell thought highly of Ted in National Guard and as Oldsmobile tradesman. RIP Ted. Thinking of the whole family.

Andy Campbell - May 28, 2018 at 07:47 PM

SC

“ So sorry for your loss Ann. Keep looking up!
With prayers for you and your family!

sandy Carey - May 26, 2018 at 08:11 AM

DH

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Your family is in my thoughts. I remember when he put a picture of himself in the window so that passerbys could see him. I got such a kick out of that. ❤️

Donna Hrebik - May 26, 2018 at 02:48 AM

LM

“ I remember as a little girl living out on the farm Uncle Ted visited my dad (his brother Donald) everytime he was ready he would always ask me if I wanted to come with him so I could go spend the night at his house so I could play with my cousins. It was always a big deal because I lived out in the country and they lived in the Big city of Charlotte. My Aunt Anna was not always happy that he brought home an unexpected extra mouth to feed around dinner time but she always managed to make room for one more. Uncle Ted would always smile and wink at me after he was done getting in trouble. Love You Uncle Ted.

Linda McDiarmid - May 25, 2018 at 09:45 PM