



Eugene 'Gene' Harley Fancher

August 26, 1941 - January 30, 2022

Eugene "Gene" Harley Fancher, 80, of Charlotte, died Sunday, January 30, 2022 in Charlotte. Gene was born August 26, 1941 in Grand Rapids, the son of Aubrey Morries and Marvella Eleanor (Hood) Fancher. He went to work on the line at Oldsmobile in 1969, and retired after 30 years in 1999. Gene served in many capacities at Oldsmobile over the years, including playing Euchre with many of his coworkers. He married Rita Fancher on October 31, 1997, and enjoyed 18 years of marriage. In retirement, Gene worked alongside his daughter, Debbie, at Wendy's for 9 years while also serving as a crossing guard for Ionia Public Schools. Gene loved motorcycles and new cars, always looking out for his next ride. He was an avid fisherman in his early years, and absolutely loved everything Elvis Presley. Gene made several pilgrimages to Memphis to visit Graceland. In his last years, he listened to old Elvis music and watched his movies on rerun. Above all, Gene loved time spent with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren, especially Christmas breakfast.

Gene is survived by his daughters, Marlena (Chris) Arras and Debbie (Eric) Troll; son, Brian (Erica) Fancher; grandchildren, Danielle (Shelby) Smith, Ashtin (Travis) O'Dell, Jared (Kelsey) Arras, Grant (Jill Manning) Arras, Chelsea (Ronnie) Raymond, Baily Fancher, Casey Fancher, and Katelynn Troll; and 5 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife, Rita Fancher in 2015; and his parents.

Friends and family are encouraged to support Gene's family by attending services or sharing memories on his tribute page at www.prayfuneral.com. Funeral Services will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 2, 2022 at Pray Funeral Home with Pastor Charles Jenson officiating. Visitation will be from 2:00 - 3:00 p.m., just prior to the service. A private interment service will take place Easton Township Cemetery. 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, click on Gene's tribute, then click on Photos and Videos from your computer (or Media from your smart phone). Memorial contributions are suggested to Sparrow Hospice. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 2. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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

Funeral Ceremony

FEB 2. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Webcast in memory of Eugene 'Gene' Harley Fancher*



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“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Eugene 'Gene' Harley Fancher*



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - February 01, 2022 at 04:10 PM



“ *I remember Eugene as a boy. Sorry to hear of his passing.*

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“ We have had the good fortune of getting to know Eugene through his children. He spent a lot of time at his daughter and son in law's house (Marlena and Chris), which is where we met Eugene. He was a kind person with a warm smile, this is something the world needs more of. We send prayers to the grieving family and friends. Love the Hislers

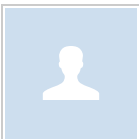
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“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Eugene 'Gene' Harley Fancher.



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“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Eugene 'Gene' Harley Fancher.



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