



Francis "Frank" Chamberlain

April 4, 1938 - August 3, 2022

Francis Chamberlain a kind, gentle man, died in the company of his family on August 3, 2022. He was known as Frank, but also answered to Francie. Frank 84, was born on April 4, 1938, in Portland, MI, the son of George and Odelia (Huhn) Chamberlain. Following high school graduation from St. Patrick in Portland, he enlisted in the United States Air Force. On March 11, 1967, Frank married Janice Jenkins, the couple would spend the next 55 years in a loving relationship and creating lasting memories. He worked as a meat cutter until his retirement in 1992. Frank was a very smart man, he loved books and reading and staying up to date with current events and politics. He also liked planes and trains, Frank enjoyed reading about their history and watching them. With his knowledge he was very good at trivia and everyone wanted him as a partner. Traveling was also important to Frank, he made numerous trips to the UP where he was member of the Whitefish Point Bird Observatory. These trips were also used for rock collecting adventures.

Frank is survived by his wife, Janice; siblings, Patricia (James) Glossi, Thomas Chamberlain, Donald (Kathleen) Chamberlain, Michael (Rita) Chamberlain; brother-in-law, William Jenkins; and numerous extended family members and dear friends. He was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Evelyn Sias; sisters-in-law, Dianne Chamberlain, Nancy (John) Spurgeon, and Cheryl Jenkins.

Friends are encouraged to support Franks's family by sharing memories on his Tribute Page at www.prayfuneral.com. A graveside service is to be held at a later date. If desired, the family suggests memorial contributions to the VFW National Home for Children, Whitefish Point Bird Observatory c/o Michigan Audubon, or the City Rescue Mission of Lansing. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

Tribute Wall

WH

“ You are in our thoughts and prayers. We always enjoyed running into you and Frank at the outdoor art shows. Bill (Rene/Larry Hoffman) and Sharon Hoffman

William G Hoffman - August 16, 2022 at 08:38 PM

YS

“ so sorry to hear about Frank. He was one of many older cousins, but at family gatherings he was always good to talk to, laugh with & just be around. Thoughts and prayers to all the Chamberlains. in this sad time. Yvonne Huhn smith

yvonne r smith - August 15, 2022 at 11:23 PM

SP

“ Janice, so sorry to hear about Frank. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. You and Frank have always been my favorite people on Moms side of the family. Love to you. Sue (Aves) Pettit and Laverne Aves

Sue (Aves) Pettit - August 13, 2022 at 08:09 AM

HS

“ My sweet Uncle Frank. Many years ago as a young, newly married couple, we had a car with a gas tank leak. That Christmas, Uncle Frank and Aunt Janice offered for us to drive to their place and ride the rest of the way with them to a family party. We ended up not needing the ride, but they gave us some money toward the car repair that we couldn't afford. That act of kindness and generosity has always stuck with me. I will miss him.

Heather Starr - August 07, 2022 at 09:32 PM

JK

“ I remember Frank as a quiet man, guess you could say reserved, but if you got him talking about a subject he really liked, he could talk. Frank and Janice became more than cousins to me after my mom's passing. We shared Thanksgiving meals for a few years and then often going out for Chinese food and spending a couple hours visiting. It was always nice to "catch up" on so much.

JOYCE KRANSZ - August 07, 2022 at 07:19 PM

SV

“ Frank and Janice were such great neighbors that we moved from the house to the west of them to the house to the east of them. At the time of the move they brought potato salad with "welcome" messages. He will be missed and I wish him peace. Janice I can only imagine the hole in your heart and I hope you will not hesitate to reach out. Sherry VK

Sherry S Vankampen - August 07, 2022 at 02:18 PM

TB

“ I first met Frank and Janice more than 25 years ago while waitressing at Pizza Hut. They were two of my most favorite customers and I often begged the other servers to let me take their table. They were always so much fun to visit with. We talked, laughed, and shared many stories together, all while building a fabulous friendship. Even though time and distance have separated us, you both have always held a very special place in my heart! Thank you for your friendship and your kindness. Janice, you continue to be in my thoughts and prayers for your loss. Sending lots of love and a great big hug to you now. Teresa Burger

Teresa Burger - August 07, 2022 at 11:05 AM

JP

“ *Janice, so sorry to learn of Frank's death. You and your family are in my thoughts & prayers. He will be missed. Hugs.*

Jane Pohl - August 05, 2022 at 06:51 PM