



## Jerry Cords

August 24, 1942 - August 25, 2021

Jerry Lee Cords, a caring, genuine, hardworking and loyal father, grandfather, brother and friend, died August 25, 2021. Jerry, 79, was born August 24, 1942 in Charlotte, MI to Loyd and Florence (Boyd) Cords. He was a graduate of Olivet High School. On September 23, 1961, Jerry married the love of his life, Marilyn Serrels, and together they started their legacy. Working hard was no fear for Jerry, he worked very hard to provide for his family. He worked alongside his father, brother, and in later years his sons for LJT Well Drilling, and also as a Cash Crop Farmer and the owner of FML Inc. Jerry was very proud to be able to pass his work ethic down to his children who followed in his footsteps with working on the family farm and the well drilling business. When Jerry was not farming or working, he enjoyed hunting, especially hunting trips out west, fishing, horse pulling, going to local tractor pulls, and taking trips around the country in his motorhome. Jerry had the honor of receiving the Honorary Member FFA chapter award for his volunteer work with the FFA over the years. Above all his proudest accomplishments were his family and his successful farming operations that he created.

Jerry is survived by his sons, Loyd (Angie) Cords, John (Sherry) Cords, Seth (Jill) Cords; grandchildren, Jennifer, Cody (Samantha), Blaine and Allison Cords; great-grandchildren, Jake and Delilah Crowner; siblings, Terry (Emma) Cords, Connie (Jim) Hiatt. Jerry was predeceased by his wife of 30 years, Marilyn; granddaughter, Paige Cords; grandson, JC Cords; brother, Lonnie

Cords; and his parents.

Friends are encouraged to support Jerry's family at visitation and funeral services. Funeral services will be held Tuesday, August 31, 2021, 11:00 a.m. at the family farm in Charlotte with Pastor Scott Brood officiating. Visitation is Monday, August 30, 2021 from 2-4:00 p.m. and 6-8:00 p.m. in the Pray Funeral Home Gardens. If desired, the family suggests memorial contributions to The Paige Cords Memorial Fund to benefit local 4-H and FFA projects. Friends and family are encouraged to share memories of Jerry on his Tribute Page at [www.PrayFuneral.com](http://www.PrayFuneral.com). The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

# Cemetery Details

## West Carmel Cemetery

5016 Carlisle Highway  
Charlotte, MI 48813

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 30. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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

## Visitation

AUG 30. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

## Funeral Ceremony

AUG 31. 11:00 AM (ET)

Family Farm  
6990 N. Ainger Rd.  
Charlotte, MI 48813



# Tribute Wall



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Jerry Cords*



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**Pray Funeral Home, Inc.** - August 28, 2021 at 06:09 PM

MC

“ *Our thoughts and prayers go out to the entire Cords family at this sad time. We will cherish the memories of Jerry and the whole gang at camp in the UP. The adventures we shared chasing bear late into the night. How much he loved his family. He had so many stories to share. We had a gut feeling when he made the trip up to our cabin a few weeks ago that he was saying goodbye. We will miss him dearly. Till we meet again...*

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**Mike and Carol Caverly** - September 03, 2021 at 10:09 PM



“ *1 file added to the album LifeTributes*



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**Pray Funeral Home, Inc.** - September 01, 2021 at 02:03 PM

WU

“ *My heart is with the Cords family during this time.  
Loyd and Angie, thank you for being YOU :)*



Whittney Urie - August 28, 2021 at 09:12 PM



“ *45 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - August 28, 2021 at 05:57 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the  
family of Jerry Cords.*



August 28, 2021 at 11:46 AM

FE

“ From, Citizens Elevator purchased the Beautiful i  
n Blue for the family of Jerry Cords.



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**From, Citizens Elevator** - August 27, 2021 at 09:39 AM

FC

“ From all of us at C&N Supply Company  
purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for  
the family of Jerry Cords.



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**From all of us at C&N Supply Company** - August 27, 2021 at  
08:14 AM

MS

“ Milan Supply purchased the Serene Retreat for  
the family of Jerry Cords.



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**Milan Supply** - August 26, 2021 at 12:42 PM

LL

“ I can't remember a time that Jerry hasn't been a member of our  
family. He was always my dad's best friend. So many coffee dates  
shared between them too. My mom was devastated when Marilyn  
died. Now the 4 of them are together again. Boys I am so very sorry  
for your loss, hugs and tears for all.  
Loretta Merren Lee

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**Loretta Lee** - August 26, 2021 at 11:22 AM

PR

“ It has been many years since I have seen Jerry but I have so many good memories of spending family time with our parents and him and Marilyn. Great card playing, camping and horse pulling days. Condolences to the whole family from a cousin in Florida, Penny Rosenburg.

Penny Rosenburg - August 26, 2021 at 11:09 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Jerry Cords.



August 26, 2021 at 09:44 AM

AK

“ My deepest condolences to all of the cords family and friends. Jerry was a prominent figure when I was growing up. I'll never forget the times I would go to the farm and see him with my grandpa. Love and hugs to you all!!

Angie Kibbey (Merren)

angela kibbey - August 26, 2021 at 09:23 AM

MF

“ Loyd, sorry to hear about the passing of your dad. I pray for peace for you and your family.

Michael Fuller - August 26, 2021 at 08:15 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Jerry Cords.*



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August 26, 2021 at 08:13 AM



“ *Seth, Jill, Cody, Blaine & Allison*  
*We met Jerry 10 years ago when we started wintering in Florida. We had so many laughs at our happy hours. When Jerry stopped travelling south he was always insistent we stop and visit on our way by. We've so missed our visits since we haven't been able to travel to the US. We still had our monthly phone calls where we got caught up on all that was happening on the farm. He was so proud of his family and always had stories of the accomplishments of his sons and grandkids. We also send condolences to Terry and Emma and Lloyd and John and families. Our hearts are broken but Jerry will now be travelling with Marilyn and holding his beloved Paige.*

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**Laurie Glover** - August 25, 2021 at 09:39 PM



*Roland and Laurie Glover*

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**Roland and Laurie Glover** - August 25, 2021 at 09:41 PM



“ *Always a pleasure to be around Jerry, it was an honor to have met him. He would get the biggest kick when talked with me. Thought my nickname (Boogie) was hilarious. He'll be missed. Prayers to friends and family...*

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**Ron Colson** - August 25, 2021 at 07:09 PM



Trixie  
Tanner

“ *Dear Lyod & Family, I'm very sorry for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers. John & Trixie Tanner*

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**Trixie Tanner** - August 25, 2021 at 06:52 PM

BJ

*Dear Cords Family, our deepest condolences. Our thoughts & prayers be with you all. Betty & Daryl Joehlin*

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**Betty Joehlin** - August 25, 2021 at 07:45 PM

Jl

*So sorry for your loss. I remember Marilyn, jc and Paige passing like it was yesterday. Now Jerry is with his wife and loving grandkids once again.*

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**Jan ike** - August 25, 2021 at 09:26 PM