



Louis Waldo Howe

June 28, 1928 - January 15, 2014

Louis Waldo Howe, 85, passed away unexpectedly on January 15, 2014 at his home. Louis was born June 28, 1928, in Allegan, Michigan, the son of Chester and Beulah (Rice) Howe. He attended high school in Charlotte before joining the Navy in 1946. He served from 1946 to 1952 during both WWII and the Korean War. He was a member of the Maple City VFW Post 2406 and the American Legion in Charlotte. Louis married Marlene Smith in 1950 and together they raised 3 sons. Marlene passed away in 1992. Louis was blessed to fall in love again with Rosemary VanDorpe and they married April 16, 2004. Louis worked as a General Manager for Beacon Sales in Charlotte, Michigan for 53 years, retiring in 2006. He was an avid fisherman and hunter and spent many hours at his cottage on Narrow Lake.

Louis is survived by his loving wife of 10 years, Rosemary; his sons Ron (Karen) Howe of Lansing, Donald (Cheryl) Howe of Charlotte; 6 grandchildren - Tess Howe of Corpus Christi, TX; Joshua (Jennifer) Howe of Charlotte; Mari (David) Howe Langley of Raleigh, NC; RJ (Meghan) Howe, Melissa Howe and Kevin Howe of Lansing; 1 step-son, Rick (Sandra) Harmon of Olivet; and 5 great-grandchildren; 2 step-daughters, Nancy (Craig) Boehmer of Bellevue and Jani Michael of KY; 6 step-grandchildren and 6 step-great-grandchildren. He will be missed by his brother, Eldon Howe, and nephew, David Howe, both of Charlotte. He is predeceased by his first wife, Marlene; son Lon Howe; grandson Christopher Howe; brothers Menzo, Garland and Barton Howe. Visitation will be held Sunday, January 19, from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm and 6:00

pm to 8:00 pm at Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte. Funeral Services will be held on Monday, January 20, at 1:30 pm at Pray Funeral Home with Rev. Arthur Salisbury officiating. Burial will take place in Gresham Cemetery.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the VFW Post 2406. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.prayfuneral.com <http://www.prayfuneral.com>.

Tribute Wall

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“ It is times like these in which we reflect on family. When I think of Louis, I see him at the Beacon, at Christmases with Grandma and Grandpa Howe, at the lake, or over the hill at your childhood home, always there with a smile and laughter. Remember all the good times with him and the love he had for you.

Annette (Howe) Florence - January 19, 2014 at 04:05 PM

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“ God bless you Louie for the thousands of people you touched and helped in our community.

Jeff Smith - January 18, 2014 at 05:51 AM

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“ Don and family my condolences to you all during this difficult time. Always remember the good times. It will take time to heal this terrible feeling you have now, but think of all the special times you had with your dad.

Patricia Hixson - January 17, 2014 at 03:24 PM

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Mr Waldo (LOU), was my employer and friend. He was always friendly, considerate and always asked how you and your family were doing. He loved his grandchildren and spoke often of them and spent time with them. He loved Mrs Verna and adored her. She adored him. Two very nice people. RIP Mr LOU.

Evelyn Welborn Cherry - December 07, 2019 at 10:46 PM

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“ *Louis: While walking in heaven with others youâ€™ve joined there give my husband and my son; big hugs from way down here. Rest in Peace Louis, youâ€™ll be missed! Laura Howe*

Laura Howe Repp - January 17, 2014 at 11:22 AM

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“ *Please accept our most heartfelt sympathies for your lossâ€}our thoughts are with you and your family during this difficult time. Don, I know you were close to your dad. Hoping that remembering the good times you had together will bring you some comfort.*

Gail Whiting & Larry Miesner - January 17, 2014 at 08:05 AM