



## Ralph James Moore

July 20, 1929 - March 14, 2022

Ralph James Moore 92, departed this world peacefully at his home in Charlotte, Michigan on March 14, 2022. He was preceded in death by his wife, Dorothy (Swift); and his daughter, Deborah. He leaves behind 4 daughters, Diane Dixon (Dale), Doreen Moore, Dawn Moore, Darlene Moore (Georgia); 4 grandchildren, Tina, Terence, Danielle and Amy, as well as several great-grandchildren, step grandchildren and great-great grandchildren.

Ralph was born July 20, 1929 in Harrisville, Michigan. He graduated from Harrisville High School in 1947. Ralph joined the Merchant Marines in March of 1948, followed by a year in United States Army. He worked for Diamond Reo in Lansing, Michigan from April 1950 until he left in May of 1975. By January of 1976 Ralph was working for the newly formed Spartan Motors until he retired in June of 1992.

Ralph was a man with many interests and talents. He was a builder, Ralph built every house with his own bare hands that his family lived in, 3 homes in total. There wasn't a sport he didn't like. If there was a Michigan Wolverines game or the Detroit Tigers game on, you could find him in his big La-Z-Boy watching and cheering them on. He also had a profound appreciation for the beauty of wildlife and nature, which he was surrounded by and enjoyed every day on his 40 acres. He loved being outside chopping down trees, chopping up wood, mowing his lawn, anything to be outside Above all else Ralph was the definition of determination, optimism, gratitude and perseverance. His life was abundant with hard work and deep love of family. He was a gentle man

with a peaceful heart, open mind and a loving soul.

Ralph's family will be having a small private celebration of his life. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home in Charlotte, Michigan.

In lieu of flowers the family is asking to make donations to Heart to Heart Hospice. The family would like to acknowledge Heart to Heart Hospice for all the loving, compassionate care they gave to our father during his final days. They are truly angels here on earth.

# Cemetery Details

## **Center Eaton Cemetery**

2093 Narrow Lake Road  
Charlotte, MI 48813

# Tribute Wall



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Ralph James Moore*



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**Pray Funeral Home, Inc.** - March 16, 2022 at 05:42 PM

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“ *Tony and I are so sorry to hear that Ralph passed on.*

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**Tony and Gail Chartrand** - March 18, 2022 at 02:42 PM

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“ *So sorry to hear this, Ralph was a great man. Rob and I worked with him at Spartan Motors and my dad, Ron Seavolt, worked with him at Diamond Reo for years. Shelly Rasmussen*

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**Shelly Rasmussen** - March 17, 2022 at 09:15 AM

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“ As a friend of Dar, I only met Ralph a couple of times. Instantly I could tell what a special person he was. Not only was he kind and intelligent- he had a spirit for adventure- as was apparent when I saw him go down a three story cork screw slide when he was 84. I have a fuzzy picture to prove it! So sorry for your loss of this wonderful man.



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**Susan Kaleita** - March 17, 2022 at 07:20 AM

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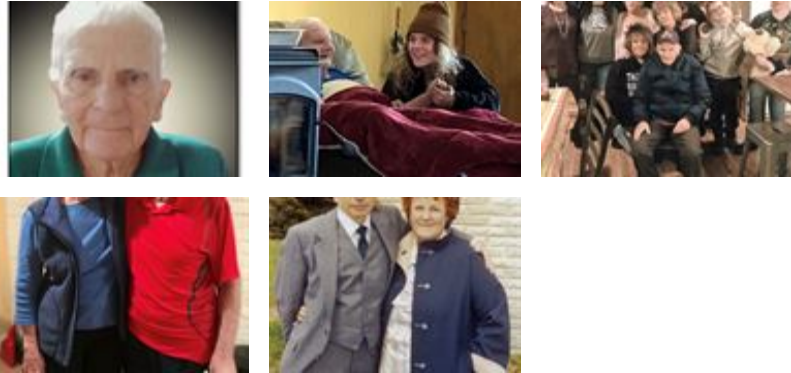
“ I worked very closely with Ralph in the early years of Spartan Motors, he was a very soft spoken gentleman. He was always very honest and open about his metal needs. He would always always give me an opportunity to look at his needs and see if I could help him with them. I enjoy working with Ralph and his brother. Rick Johnson, (Alro Steel)

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**rick johnson** - March 16, 2022 at 05:42 PM



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Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - March 16, 2022 at 05:40 PM



“ Worked with Ralph at Spartan. You couldn't ask for more pleasant and helpful person to work with. Thanks for the help Ralph! My deepest sympathy to his family and friends.

Jeff Smith - March 16, 2022 at 04:35 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Ralph James Moore.



March 16, 2022 at 03:38 PM



“ It was a pleasure getting to know Mr. Ralph. He was a joy to be around. My condolences to his lovely family.

Jason Jackson - March 16, 2022 at 03:15 PM

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“ Although I sadly never met Ralph, Dar is a good friend and neighbor. After reading the obituary, I realized that he and Dar are so much alike in all the best ways. My heart goes out to all his family and loved ones. I know Dar and her sisters would visit Ralph every opportunity they had, and Dar would always come back from her visits with a silly story about her dad and his farm. I hope time brings you peace, and that your sadness eventually turns into laughter with the memories you have of him. Much love and comfort to you all.

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**The Kriebel Family** - March 16, 2022 at 02:52 PM