



Ray R Hackworth

December 26, 1934 - September 26, 2020

Our loving husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather, Ray Hackworth, went to be with his heavenly Father on September 26, 2020. Ray was born December 26, 1934 to Johnnie and Effie (Williams) Hackworth in Kentucky.

Ray loved his family, friends and church family. He served his country in the U.S. Army from 1958-1959 in the Signal Corp. After returning from the service he worked as an electrician for 30 years at General Motors until his retirement in 1985. While working at General Motors Ray also owned and operated a grocery store and laundromat in Pottersville. He never had just one job. After his GM retirement he became a financial advisor for Waddell-Reed, a Real Estate agent, and managed several rental properties until 2019.

Ray also enjoyed maintaining their beautiful property surrounding their residence which included a large pond and garden where many family gatherings and celebrations were held. Ray liked planting and watching sunflowers grow taller than him, riding his tractor and four-wheeler, and following the stock market. In the winter, he and Joan spent time at their Florida seasonal home where he loved the warmth of the sun

Ray was married for 61 years to his wife Joan (Collins). Ray and Joan were blessed with 5 loving children; Beverly (Ed) Lira, Cheri (Jeff) Elston, Annette

Robinson, Dana Converse and Eric Hackworth; three grandsons, Nathan Robinson, and Joel and Jared Converse; Seven granddaughters, Ashley (Matt) Carpp, Elizabeth (Brian) Colopy, Faye (Jacob) VanSickle, Jana Converse, Rachael (Rob) Dulebon, Madison and Makayla Lira; two great grandsons, and five great granddaughters. Ray is also survived by his sister Sharon (Aaron) Collins and brother Bob (Dee) Hackworth, many in-laws, nieces and nephews.

Ray always wanted everyone in his family to succeed and was always there to provide his words of wisdom and advice. We will miss him dearly but know he is surrounded by his loving parents, friends and Heavenly Father. We are comforted knowing that we will be together again.

The Hackworth family will be receiving guests during visitation Monday 6-8 PM at the Pray Funeral Home. Funeral services will be Tuesday September 29, at 10 AM in the Pray Funeral Home Gardens with John Coakley officiating. In recognition of the Executive Orders for the State of Michigan Mask and Social Distancing guidelines will be practiced both indoors and outdoors.

If desired, the family suggests memorial contributions to Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

The funeral service 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 Ray's tribute, and then click on Photos and Videos from your computer (or Media from your smart phone). Just prior to the beginning of the service, a link will appear on this page to watch the webcast.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **28.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Funeral Ceremony

SEP **29.** 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Webcast in memory of Ray R Hackworth*



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - September 29, 2020 at 08:00 AM

TF

“ *Aunt Joan, Bev, Cheri, Annette, Dana, Eric, and all the family, know that even though we are far apart, we are there with you in our hearts! Our Love, Thoughts, and Prayers are with you all! We Love you, Bob, Lisa and Family*

The Leitch Family - September 30, 2020 at 11:10 PM

TA

“ *I'm so very sorry for the loss of your dad Dana, and grandfather Jana, Jared and Joel. My heart goes out to you all. I never met him, but I've heard nothing but wonderful things about him. Treasure the memories. No one can take that from you. Love to all. Tammy and John Landi*

tammy - September 28, 2020 at 09:04 PM

TF

“ *The Karinen family purchased the Sweet Liberty for the family of Ray R Hackworth.*



The Karinen family - September 28, 2020 at 05:01 PM

TS

“ *Annette and Family,
I am so sorry for your loss. The loss of a loved one is never easy, especially when that person is the patriarch of your family. I will continue to pray for the repose of his soul and for your family now and in the days to come.*

I am unable to attend the visitation tonight due to Board of Education meeting but know that I am with you in spirit.

Take Care and God Bless you and your family.

Terry A. Sedlar

4th/5th Principal at Olivet Middle School

Terry A. Sedlar - September 28, 2020 at 04:15 PM

SR

“ *Ray was a very dedicated family man and husband, a great provider of security, and a devoted, loving grandfather/great grandfather. He was quite helpful to me for many years when it came to repairs and learning how to figure something out. And... more importantly, he was genuinely interested and caring in how he went about it! He set a great example when it came to work ethic and consistency. He, Joan, and the family are special people, and appreciated.*

With prayers,

The Shane Robinson Family

(Shane, Dawn, and Danielle)

Shane Robinson - September 28, 2020 at 01:53 PM

SA

“ Steve Stanton & Kathy Swan, Stanton's Auctioneers purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of Ray R Hackworth.



Steve Stanton & Kathy Swan, Stanton's Auctioneers -
September 28, 2020 at 09:17 AM

GS

“ George and Denise (LaFave) Smith purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Ray R Hackworth.



George and Denise (LaFave) Smith - September 28, 2020 at
09:17 AM

DB

“ *To The Hackworth Family:
I was very sorry to read of your loss. I remember when Ray and his Father ran the grocery store in Pottersville. It was always a well run store. I know he was a family man and you have many good memories to treasure. Our thoughts are with you.*

*With deepest sympathy,
Dan Bargy (for the Bargy Family)*

Daniel Bargy - September 28, 2020 at 08:51 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Ray R Hackworth.*



September 28, 2020 at 08:12 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ray R Hackworth.*



September 28, 2020 at 01:54 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ray R Hackworth.*



September 27, 2020 at 11:36 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Ray R Hackworth.*



September 27, 2020 at 09:19 PM