

## Robert Lee Siple

November 5, 1940 - March 25, 2018

Robert Lee Siple, 77, a caring husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, farmer, and jokester of Vermontville, passed away on March 25, 2018 at his residence with his family by his side. He was born on November 5, 1940 to Gerald and Madeline (Shaw) Siple in Charlotte, MI. He attended Vermontville High School. Followed by attending CMU and Greer Mechanical School in Chicago. Robert was very dedicated to 4-H. During his sophomore year of high school Robert met Lois Messenger at a 4-H retreat. They married on September 9, 1961 and together spent the next 56 years creating their legacy together. Bob worked several jobs including John Bean Machinist Shop, Williams Farm Machinery, before retiring from Post Cereals, he served as a Vermontville Trustee for 10 years. He was one that could make anything. If he could vision it, then he could build it. He built a front end loader out of different pieces and parts from automobiles. Bob designed and built the family pop-up camper, using Lois's sewing machine himself in the barn. The camper would be used for numerous family adventures for 50 plus years. He was never happier then when he was covered from head to toe in grease. Robert enjoyed spending time in the woods hunting and on the water fishing. His biggest passion was farming and tending to his livestock. Robert was most proud of his loving wife and his family which he loved dearly. He was also proud of his pond that he dug after his retirement, to spend time with the family; for fishing, camping, skinny dipping and having campfires.

Robert is survived by his wife, Lois; children, Janice (Christopher) Crane, Michael (Michele) Siple, and Daniel (Lisa) Siple; 10 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren with the 3rd on the way. He was preceded in death by his son Mark Siple, parents and brother, Raymond Siple.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, March 27, 2018, from 10-12:00 Noon at Pray Funeral Home. The funeral service will follow at 12 Noon with Pastor Kathy Smith officiating. If desired, the family suggests memorial donations to The Eaton Community Palliative Care. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte. Family and friends are encouraged to share remembrances and condolences online in Robert's Tribute Page at [www.prayfuneral.com](http://www.prayfuneral.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 27. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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

## Funeral Ceremony

MAR 27. 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Robert Lee Siple



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**Pray Funeral Home, Inc.** - March 26, 2018 at 07:15 PM

CJ

“ I am sorry to hear that Bob is no longer with us. I knew Bob well as I was a close friend of his brother Ray and spent many hours at the Siple home before Ray's death in 1959 and in 4H. Bob was a fun person to know. I was on Football and Track teams with him when he was a senior and I was a freshman. Rather than treat me as a lowly freshman, Bob encouraged me and accepted me. There will always be a warm spot in my heart for the Siples, Gerald & Madeline(parents), Bob and Ray.

*Chris King Jr*

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**Chris King Jr** - March 31, 2018 at 09:06 PM

JC

“ Very sorry about the passing of Bob. I worked with Bob at Post and very much enjoyed him and his sense of humor. Every day was a new adventure. Jeff Cleveland

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**Jeff Cleveland** - March 31, 2018 at 03:05 PM

TW

“ So very sorry to hear about Bob. He was such a caring and fun man. He made growing up so much more interesting. He will be missed greatly.

*Tina Wireman (Benjamin)*

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**Tina Wireman** - March 27, 2018 at 04:25 PM

SS

“ We were sorry to hear of Bob's passing. He certainly was "one of a kind" and that's what made him Bob! He will be missed by all who knew him.

*Sharon and Harold Stewart*

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**Sharon Stewart** - March 27, 2018 at 01:49 PM

TS

“ We grieve the loss of Bob with the family and hope that you all find peace in the fond memories you have of him.

*Tony and Pat Smith  
(Neighbors)*

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**Tony Smith** - March 27, 2018 at 07:31 AM



“ 34 files added to the album LifeTributes



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - March 26, 2018 at 06:12 PM



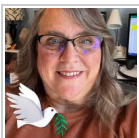
“ May happy memories warm our heart during this time. Bruce and Kellie Hanford

Kellie Hanford - March 26, 2018 at 04:09 PM



“ Not a day goes by that you won't be missed, my heart just breaks knowing your not with us anymore

Sylv Messesnger - March 26, 2018 at 02:44 PM



“ So very sorry for your loss. My prayers are with your family.

Tamara Franks - March 26, 2018 at 01:29 PM



“ A Good neighbor, have already missed the visits we would have as either of us drove by the other!!

Alan Snedegar - March 26, 2018 at 11:17 AM

AN

“ So many memories of this wonderful man!! Spent many hours at his house thru 4H, picking wild strawberries along their hill and his help when my brother wrecked on the corner of Gresham and Shaytown many years back. Always quick with a smile and a hug. He also allowed my brother to clean the really old cemetery in his sheep pasture to earn his Eagle Scout badge in scouts. He will be sorely missed by many people.

Condolences to everyone. I live in Indiana now so I won't make the services.

Andrea (Hapeman) Perry

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Andrea - March 26, 2018 at 10:46 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert Lee Siple .



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March 25, 2018 at 09:03 PM