



William 'Lloyd' Catey

May 3, 1938 - December 4, 2018

On December 4, 2018, William Lloyd Catey completed the last wish in his bucket list to see the Panama Canal. Later that night he died unexpectedly while on the cruise ship. Lloyd, 80, was born on May 3, 1938 in Grand Ledge MI to Wilford and Frances (Strange) Catey. Lloyd shared the womb with twin brother Charles, but was the first to enter the world. He graduated from Grand Ledge High School. He retired in 1992 after working 23 years as a welder at Michigan State University. On August 24, 1955 he married Linda Cagle, and together they created their legacy before her passing in 2012. Following Linda's death, Lloyd moved to Florida where he married Phyllis Smith. With this new union, Lloyd gained daughters Susan (Chris) Smith Kihle and Lori Smith Escareno and grandchildren Tyler and Kaitlyn Vetter and Connor Escareno. Lloyd enjoyed deer hunting, square dancing for 50 years, going to casinos and traveling. Lloyd was extremely proud of his 22-year sobriety. ABOVE all, Lloyd's BIGGEST passion in life was his family. A proud, brother, father, grandfather, and great grandfather, he had a heart that was filled with love for everyone.

Lloyd is survived by his wife Phyllis; Children; Shannon Lovaas and Shari Alber. Grandchildren; Jason Pearson, Melissa Pohl, David Pearson, Erika (Dane Porter) Lovaas, and Mollie Alber, Great Grandchildren; Tyler, Hazel, Rhyan, McKenna, Vincent, Gabriel, Cyrus, and Jude; Siblings Fannie Mae O'Neil, Mary (Tommie) Hahn, Tom (Shirley) Catey, and Sam Catey. Lloyd was preceded in death by his wife of 56 years, Linda; daughter Alisa Pearson;

granddaughter Sallie Lovaas; Brothers, John, Joe, Dan , and Charles Catey; and his parents.

Friends are encouraged to support Lloyd's family at visitation and funeral services. Funeral services are Saturday, December 15, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. at Pray Funeral Home in Charlotte. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the funeral.

If desired, the family suggests memorial contributions to a charity of your choice. Friends and family are encouraged to share memories of Lloyd on his Tribute Page at www.PrayFuneral.com. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

Cemetery Details

Strange/South Oneida Cemetery

Grand Ledge, MI 48837

Tribute Wall



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of William 'Lloyd' Catey*



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - December 14, 2018 at 03:23 PM

AH

“ *moung many things, he taught me to weld. I was a boy, and nearby, he had 3 daughters...*

ALAN THOMAS HAHN - September 22, 2025 at 01:06 AM

LW

“ *Lloyd and Linda were best friends for many years. Wonderful memories of square dancing, camping and traveling together. They will be missed but always remembered.
So sorry to have missed the funeral memorial, received notice too late.
Condolences to the family. With love, Lori Way*

Lori Way - December 20, 2018 at 02:59 PM

 Dave Magee

“ *So sorry to hear of Lloyd's passing, many memories from square dance over the years!
Dave and Ruth Magee*

Dave Magee - December 16, 2018 at 09:15 PM

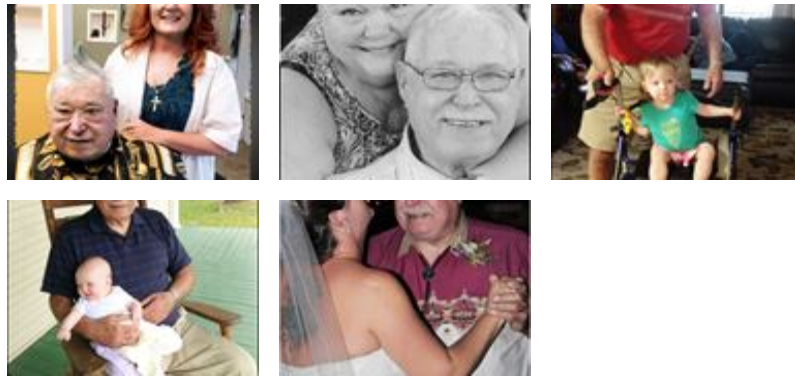
CO

“ *Shannon and Shari*
Was sorry to hear about Lloyd's passing. Hold on to the memories and know you will see him again some day.
Connie Van Lente

connie - December 15, 2018 at 11:05 AM



“ *41 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - December 14, 2018 at 02:01 PM

SD

“ *So sorry for your loss.*

Dave and Sandy Dimond

sandy dimond - December 13, 2018 at 06:49 PM

LF

“ Love, Sue, Alice, Jennifer, Jeff and our families purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of William 'Lloyd' Catey.



Love, Sue, Alice, Jennifer, Jeff and our families - December 13, 2018 at 09:22 AM

DR

“ Our first trip to Florida and Royal Oaks Park. The office was closed because of Veterans Day. Lloyd and Phyllis were very helpful in showing us the site to where we would be located with their golf cart. Dennis and Lloyd became good friends and would visit a couple times a week. Lloyd loved his new home. Lloyd will be sadly missed by us. Prayer to Phyllis and family in this sad time.

Dorothy and Dennis Roberts

Dorothy Roberts - December 12, 2018 at 08:52 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of William 'Lloyd' Catey.



December 12, 2018 at 08:14 PM

 Roger Amo

“ Lloyd will be missed. Our Prayers go out to Phyllis.

Roger Amo - December 12, 2018 at 05:29 PM

BS

“ *Lloyd was our neighbor at Royal Oaks and we will miss our little chats as he was out and about in the park. Our prayers are with Phyllis and the families .*

Betty Skime - December 12, 2018 at 01:50 PM

BO

“ *Barbara Owens lit a candle in memory of William 'Lloyd' Catey*



Barbara Owens - December 12, 2018 at 01:19 PM

BO

He was my best friends Husband Phylliss Catey he sure will be missed .I love you Lady

Barbara Owens - December 12, 2018 at 01:22 PM

PH

“ *Lloyd was our Florida neighbor and was a kind and sweet man he will be missed by Kevin and myself.*



Penny Hair - December 12, 2018 at 12:32 PM

SE

“ *Lloyd and his family and myself went wat back as young teenagers to the Oneida church and junior high and high school, he was a good friend and will be missed, we always enjoyed seeing him when we went to Florida. To the family and Phyliss we are so sorry for your loss, and may Lloyd rest in peace*

Sharon Iukkarila Eisele - December 11, 2018 at 06:02 PM