



Sherman Lyn Bates

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Mr. Sherman Lyn Bates, age 71, passed away at his home in Whitehall on Saturday, June 3, 2017. He was born in Muskegon on June 12, 1945 to Arthur and Leota (Lake) Bates. Sherman was a veteran of the United States Army and served during the Vietnam War. He had worked for Campbell Wyant and Cannon for 18 years before working for the State of Michigan as a corrections officer at Brooks Correctional Facility, where he retired in 2000. Sherman was a member of the NRA and enjoyed guns and old cars. On December 23, 1965, Sherman married the former Joyce Cole and she survives him along with two grandchildren, Summer Renee Bates and Skylar Michelle Gray; one sister, Sherry Tobin; two sisters-in-law, Eilene Spink and June Dean; four brothers-in-law, Carl (Rose) Cole, Lyle (Linda) Cole, Laurin (Jan) Cole and David Cole and his best friend, Frank Elliot. He was preceded in death by his daughter, Joy Bates Gray, his parents, one brother and one sister. According to Sherman's wishes, cremation has taken place and no services will be held.



Tribute Wall

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Linda & Dennis Bates lit a candle in honor of Sherman.



November 19 at 7:10 PM



Dawn Gardenour-Cook lit a candle in honor of Sherman.

I have so many memories of Sherm. Half my childhood was spent at their house, him and Joyce were like my 2nd set of parents. Joyce please know you are in my thoughts and prayers I would love to come check.in on you please get a hold of me. Have one of Joys girls find me on Facebook "Dawn Gardenour Cook" I love you guys this news is so sad please let me know if you need anything ❤️



June 10 at 2:30 AM



Scott Belanger posted:

My most vivid memory is when uncle Sherm and aunt Joyce took my brother and I to a Bruce Lee movie when we were little in their silver mustang. That was cool! Rest In Peace uncle Sherm.

June 9 at 1:30 PM



Terry, Roberta, Rj, Marcus Everest posted:

Dear Aunt Joyce, Summer, and Skylar, very sorry to hear of Uncle Sherman's passing. Please take comfort in knowing he is no longer pain. Keeping all of you in our thoughts and prayers.

June 7 at 3:10 PM



Roberta And Terry Everest lit a candle in honor of Sherman.



June 7 at 3:06 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Sherman by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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