



# John Ray Diepen

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**M**r. John Ray Diepen, age 70, passed away at his home on Thursday, July 1, 2021. He was born in Shelby, Michigan on September 28, 1950 to John H. and Emma (Cole) Diepen. John graduated from Muskegon High School and Ferris State University. He was a member of the UA Local 174 – West Michigan Plumbers & Pipefitters Union and had been employed by Rite-Way Plumbing and Heating for over 20 years prior to his retirement in 2014. In addition to his career, John also enjoyed spending time with his family, hunting and camping. On May 8, 1971, John married the former Kathleen A. Cross in Muskegon and they recently celebrated their 50th anniversary. Kathy survives John along with three children, Tricia (Reed) Dreier, Susan Diepen, and Andy Diepen; one grandson, Edward Diepen; and two sisters, Diane (Dave) Hopkins and Shirley Diepen. He was preceded in death by his parents and brother, David Diepen. A MEMORIAL VISITATION will be held from 5-7 PM Tuesday, July 6, 2021 at The Lee Chapel of Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services, 6291 Harvey St., Norton Shores, MI 49444. You may sign his online guestbook at [www.sytsemafh.com](http://www.sytsemafh.com)




# Events

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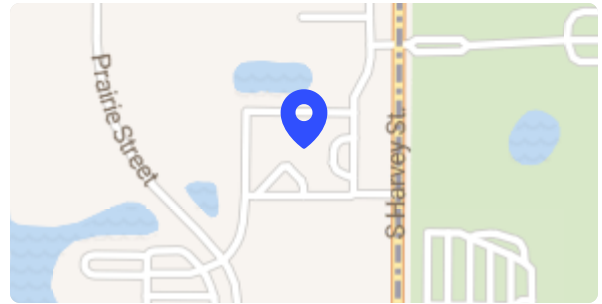
## Memorial Visitation

 **Tuesday**, July 6, 2021

 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM ET

 **Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services - The Lee Chapel**

6291 Harvey St., Norton Shores MI 49444





## Tribute Wall

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DH

**Diane Hopkins** posted:

My dear Brother John, so many stories and memories... I have cherished our times talking on the phone, text messages and your your moral support through some tough times. I will always love you and miss you! Be at Peace in the Arms of the Angels! My heart goes out to Kathy and my nieces and nephew. Celebrate John's life! Love you all, Diane Diepen Hopkins

July 3 at 6:00 AM

AD

**Adam** sent a Glorious Grace Bouquet to the Diepen family.



July 3 at 5:19 AM

BK

**Brandy Key** posted:

Susan and family I am so sorry for your loss. I will be praying for you during this difficult time.

July 2 at 9:56 AM

KW

**Kathy Wagaman** posted:

I am just so sorry for your loss. What a generous and talented man he was, and so willing to share his time and skills with his family. My heartfelt condolences to all of you.

July 2 at 9:39 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Diepen family.



July 2 at 8:50 AM

JL

**James Launstein** posted:

SueLaunstein and my condolences Kathy and the family. John and I have been friends for several years, talking, hunting, atv riding and even fixing things together. John will be greatly missed.

July 2 at 6:12 AM



# Memories only last if you share them

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



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