



Michael "Mad Dog" Anderson

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Michael Duane "Mike" "Mad Dog" Anderson, age 74, passed away unexpectedly Wednesday, January 15, 2025. He was born September 9, 1950 in Muskegon to John and Virginia (Poort) Anderson, Sr. On July 18, 1969, he married the former Carol Lynn Smith in Grand Rapids and celebrated 55 years together. Mike owned and operated M.D. Anderson Construction from 1976 until his retirement in 1999. He built many homes for families during his career, some spanning over three generations. Over the years, he enjoyed boating with friends and family and docked his boat at the Muskegon Conservation Club marina. Mike loved going to car shows, collecting classic cars, and tinkering with them, and was a member of a local Corvette club. He also enjoyed the many four-legged companions he had over the years. If you knew Mike, you knew nobody was a stranger to him. He was very sociable and would give you the shirt off his back if needed. He will be missed by all who knew him. SURVIVORS include his wife, Carol of Muskegon; two children: Chad (Brooke Kieft) Anderson and Elizabeth; two grandchildren: Elijah and Maya Aldridge; brother, Steven Anderson of Florida; sister, Kathy Kahlo of Muskegon; two sisters-in-law: Carol A. Anderson and Sandy Hutson both of Muskegon; and many nieces and nephews. Mike was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers: John Anderson, Jr. and Bob Anderson; and brothers-in-law: Steve Kahlo and Russ Smith. SERVICES for Mike will be held 11:00 AM Tuesday, January 21, 2025 at The Lee Chapel of Sytsema Funeral and Cremation Services, 6291 S. Harvey St., Norton Shores, MI 49444 (231) 798-1100. VISITATION will be from 5-8 PM on Monday, January 20, 2025 and also one hour prior to the service Tuesday morning. Burial will take place in Egelston Twp. Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Youth for Christ – Fruitport or the Big Lake Humane Society. Share memories with the family at their online Guest Book at www.sytsemafh.com



Events

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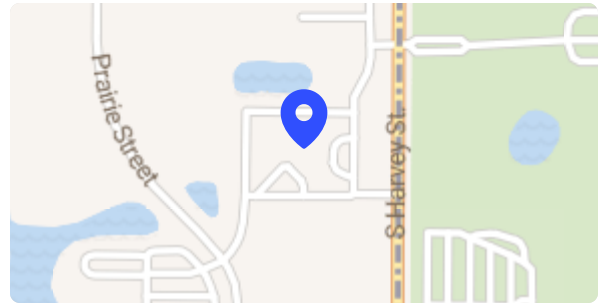
Visitation

 **Monday**, January 20, 2025


 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM ET

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

6291 Harvey St., Norton Shores MI 49444



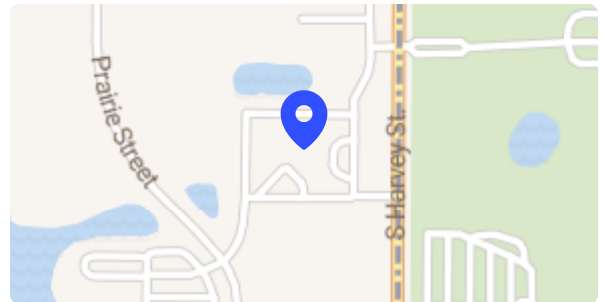
Visitation

 **Tuesday**, January 21, 2025


 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET


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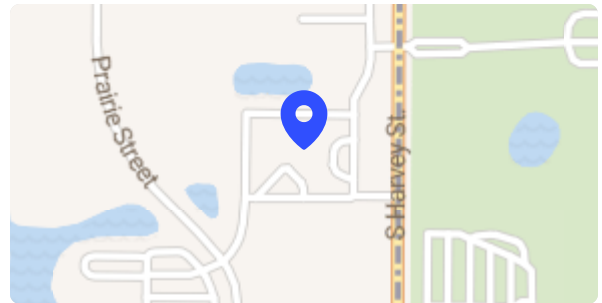
Funeral Service

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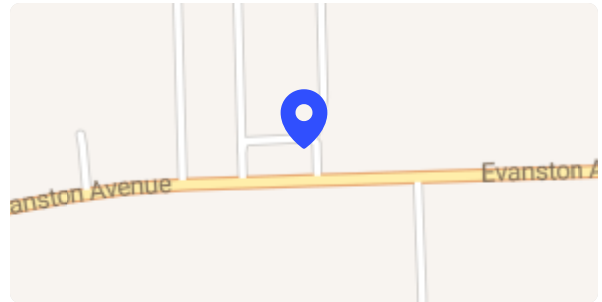
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Cemetery Details



Egelston Township Cemetery

5762 E. Evanston Ave, Muskegon MI 49442





Tribute Wall

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Aaron Savage posted:

As a boy who grew up without a father until my stepdad came along, I appreciated Mike a great deal. He was one of a number of men in my life like Dave and my Uncles Elmer and Mike who taught me skills I still use today. The number of things he knew how to do and how to do well always impressed me. I remember building the walls of a house in his garage. He laid out the top and bottom plates from a print of the house with a pencil and a speed square. Chad, Mikey, and I assembled them. When the trailer of walls made it to the jobsite, they came off the trailer in order, ready to stand in place. Amazing! If a piece of equipment he needed for the job broke, he fixed it. If he didn't know how, he figured it out. Mike knew all kinds of stuff about all kinds of stuff. He didn't brag about it. He didn't make a big deal about it. He just did it. He once asked me if I could help him with a boiler that wouldn't fire up. I told him I didn't know anything about boilers. He told me I knew about electricity and I should grab my meter and get in the truck. With a diagram and a description of the problem, I found the issue and adjusted the wiring connections. We had the boiler going in no time. That's who Mike was. He didn't ask for praise. He didn't give much praise, but he always had confidence in you that you could figure it out just like he would. For that, I will be forever grateful. I valued his friendship and the time I spent with him. When I'm doing a project that just isn't working like I want it to, I will remember the confidence he had in me and know that I can complete it. Mike, you will be missed but always in my memory.

February 1 at 4:00 PM



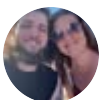
Randy Hotnisky shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.



January 20 at 4:42 PM

RH **Randy Hotnisky** January 20 at 4:47 PM

Thought I'd share a picture of Mike with his brother Steve and my brother Andy during my moms 82nd birthday (2008). Thanks for coming. Be safe on your new journey to meet a fellow carpenter.



Heather Anderson posted:

When I lived alone, Uncle Mike would stop by occasionally to see if I was good or if I needed anything. He also made sure my driveway was always plowed. Love you Uncle Mike! You will be missed ❤️

January 16 at 7:09 PM



Media

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Memories only last if you share them

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



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