



Billy Joe Boyer

April 8, 1947 - February 14, 2017

Billy Joe Boyer of Cadillac passed away Tuesday, February 14, 2017 at his home, holding the hand of his beloved wife. He was 69. Billy was born April 8, 1947 in Cadillac. He worked at Rexair in Cadillac for 15 years before going back to school in 1987. He graduated from Northern Michigan College in 1990 with an Associate's in art and continued his education with a Bachelor's in Science from Central Michigan University. Billy then earned his Master's in Counseling from Central Michigan University and owned his own counseling practice for several years. He was a member of First Christian Church of Cadillac. Billy was a life-long learner and enjoyed gardening, reading, astronomy, technology and science fiction. Billy had a love of nature enjoyed waterfall hunting in the Upper Peninsula. He loved cats and had a particularly sweet cat currently, Annabelle. Billy was a survivor and did not let any type of setback hold him back from what he wanted to accomplish. He is survived by his first wife, Mary Brown of Cadillac and their children: James (Lesley) Boyer of Copemish, April Drake of Cadillac, Scott Boyer of Cadillac. On March 23, 1973 in Cadillac he married the former Shirley K. Behl and she survives him along with their children: Joanne (Steven) Blackmer of Cadillac, Jennifer (Bill) DeWitt of Negaunee, Michigan, and Jill (Timothy) Davis of Cadillac; 20 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; his mother, Alice Waters; siblings: Valerie, Merilee, Ira, Ethel, Gale; sister-in-law, Merry (Ronald) Boersma of McBain and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his step-father, Donald Ashbay and a brother, Donald; grandmother, Elsie

Peterson and a son, Daniel. \n\nFuneral services will be held 1:00 p.m. Friday, February 17, 2017 at Peterson Funeral and Cremation Services in Cadillac with Pastor Earl Hocquard officiating. Friends may meet the family Thursday from 6-8 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will take place at Fairview Cemetery in Manton. \n\nMemorial contributions may be made to American Lung Association. An online guestbook is available at www.petersonfh.com.

Tribute Wall

PN

“ *Joanne, I'm very sorry about your dad's passing. He seemed a kind soul and probably where your patience comes from. Hope you and your family take comfort that he passed peacefully and rests above.*

Patty Niebauer - February 17, 2017 at 10:02 PM

CL

“ *R.I.P UNCLE BILL*

Crystal Lyons - February 17, 2017 at 09:31 AM

GW

“ *Our hearts are with you, filled with sadness and love.*

Gene & Joan Weeks - February 16, 2017 at 03:14 PM

GC

“ *Jill, Tim and Family, I'm so sorry for your loss. May God hold you close, comfort you and bring you wonderful memories through the coming days. May he also help you through your grief of losing your Dad. You're in my thoughts and prayers, Gail Christie*

Gail Christie - February 15, 2017 at 11:25 PM

DC

“ *So sorry for your loss. Prayers and thoughts are with you,*

Diana Curtiss - February 15, 2017 at 07:36 PM

RB

“ *Sending all my love, thoughts and prayers. May God bless your family and surround you with loving arms.* ”

Rosette Bruni - February 15, 2017 at 05:56 PM

TB

“ *Heaven gained another Angel...* ”

Tina Bertog - February 15, 2017 at 04:37 PM

MH

“ *I'm so sorry to hear Billy has past. Prayers go out to the family. I remember his love for his family and cats.* ”

Mary Henry - February 15, 2017 at 02:07 PM

AK

“ *Condolences to the family. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you.* ”

Anne Keith - February 15, 2017 at 11:38 AM

JF

“ *So sorry for your loss; praying for all of you for peace; I was glad to know your Dad.* ”

Jenny Reierstad and Family - February 15, 2017 at 11:21 AM

TE

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you all during this time.* ”

Tina & Emma - February 15, 2017 at 10:38 AM

JB

“ Shirley, so sorry for your loss.

Jean Bonham - February 15, 2017 at 07:43 AM