



Floyd Douglas Carpenter

February 25, 1944 - August 5, 2025

Floyd Douglas Carpenter passed away Tuesday evening, August 5, 2025, at Cherry Hill Haven Assisted Living Center in Traverse City, Michigan. He was 81.

Floyd was born on February 25, 1944, at Mercy Hospital in Cadillac, Michigan, to Kathryn M. (Treppa) and Arlington Carpenter. He graduated from Mesick High School and earned a degree from Ferris State University. Floyd worked as a sanitarian for the Grand Traverse County Health Department for his entire career, but his greatest joys were found outside the office.

Floyd loved to play all sports, but especially baseball. He always joked that he might have made the majors if his legs were longer. Instead, coaching became his life-long mission. Every young person in Mesick knew “Carp” as their coach during the 1980s. Many Mesick teams went to the State finals because of his coaching skills.

Later, his position as coach turned to spectator and fan, as his grandchildren excelled in sports. He was at every basketball, softball, and volleyball game of his granddaughter, Ashley. His grandson, Cameron, could count on his grandpa being at every soccer game and track meet. And grandson, Gaige, could see Floyd in the football stands in Manistee.

Floyd loved to hunt – he was a good shot and hunted on the Boon family farm every single year. Some of his favorite memories were made with his brothers at deer camp. Floyd took his family camping at the backwaters every summer, and went mushroom hunting, too. Those who loved Floyd hold many special

memories of his teasing ways, love of family, and generosity.

Floyd is survived by his sons: Merrick and Myron Carpenter, Maury and Monty Geiger; daughter: Kimberly Sherlow; grandchildren: Gage, Ashley, and Cameron, and Ben and Bethany Griswold; sister: Arlene (Carpenter) Simkins. He is preceded in death by his parents: Arlington and Kathryn; wife: Edythe Voncaille Parker; brothers: Douglas, Michael, and David; and sisters-in-law: Barbara and Diana; nephews: Michael Carpenter II and Christopher Carpenter.

A family graveside service will be held on Saturday, August 9, 2025, at the Boon West Side Cemetery at 11:00 am.

An online guestbook is available at www.petersonfh.com.

Previous Events

Graveside Service

AUG 9. 11:00 AM.

Boon West Side Cemetery

Tribute Wall

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“ *The Evens family grew up with the Carpenter family - and Floyd became a surrogate dad to me after my dad passed. We enjoyed regular phone calls together, we prayed together, and when we I was in Boon he would visit. His heart was so sweet and his humor was loved. I will miss him so much but glad he is at peace and raising heck with his brothers, friends and my dad.*



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“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Floyd Douglas Carpenter.*

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