



Harold J. "Gary" Cook

February 14, 1953 - June 24, 2016

Harold J. "Gary" Cook of Cadillac passed away Friday morning, June 24, 2016 at Munson Medical Center with his family by his side. He was 63. Gary was born February 14, 1953 in Cadillac to Harold W. and Laura M. (Clark) Cook.

He graduated from Cadillac High School and excelled as a varsity football and basketball player and was a lifeguard in high school. He later attended Northwestern Michigan College and walked on to the basketball team there. Gary also attended Ferris State College.

Family was always a priority in his life; raising his own children, mentoring younger family members and supporting his parents. Gary was an avid outdoorsman. He loved hunting, fishing, camping, canoeing and boating. He enjoyed smoking and curing meat and was also a master griller. He was very proud of his Boy Scout accomplishments. Gary was a conservationist, always leaving nature better than he had found it.

On December 23, 1972 in Cadillac he married the former Judith A.

"Judy" Wilhite and she survives him along with their sons, Harold W.

"Billy" (Julian Grant) Cook of Pacifica, California and Daniel F. Cook of Cadillac; siblings: Thomas Cook, David Cook and Ellen Cook all of Cadillac and many aunts, nieces and nephews and cousins.

Friends may meet the family on July 1, 2016 from 10:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Peterson Funeral and Cremation Services in Cadillac. Memorial services will be held at 11:30 a.m. at the Funeral Home. Immediately following the service

burial will take place at Maple Hill Cemetery in Cadillac.

Memorial contributions may be made to the family. An online guestbook is available at www.petersonfh.com.

Tribute Wall

CB

“ *Sorry for your loss. Harold was such a kind and sweet guy in high school. A friend to all.*

Cathy Stiver Brock - July 14, 2016 at 08:54 PM

EM

“ *My prayers to all the family. I think we will all always remember that huge smile he wore so well.*

Elsie Moore - June 29, 2016 at 08:44 AM

JM

“ *Sorry for your loss*

Jim Mishler - June 28, 2016 at 08:47 AM

ES

“ *Thru grade school and High School, always had the utmost respect for you. R.i.P Harold.*

Eugene Slagle - June 26, 2016 at 06:19 PM

JT

“ *Praying for you and your entire family.*

The Carpenter family

Julie Theobald - June 26, 2016 at 05:30 PM

CL

“ *MY PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU...*

CYNDA BOYD LUCLAIRE - June 26, 2016 at 05:08 PM

PW

“ There are many things that were remarkable about Gary. This obituary gelled something I had noticed and admired before, but it really seems the most remarkable thing: what a great dad he was. He really stands out. He was such a good dad. I love you guys so much. I am so glad I got to meet him.

polyana wolf - June 26, 2016 at 05:19 AM

DG

“ Praying for peace for our family.

David Gorski - June 25, 2016 at 11:19 PM

FS

“ So sorry for your loss. You are all in my prayers.

Faye Stock - June 25, 2016 at 11:04 PM