



Jerald Dee Cooley

November 2, 1943 - January 25, 2026

Jerald Dee Cooley of Cadillac passed away, Sunday, January 25, 2026, at Maple Ridge Living Center in Lake City. He was 82. Jerry was born November 2, 1943, in Saginaw, Michigan to Donald Dee and Eleanor Jane (Cowie) Cooley.

Jerry graduated from Cadillac High School and worked at CMI for over 20 years; retiring in the early 2000's. Jerry was a member of the American Legion Post #94 of Cadillac and the Cadillac Moose Lodge. He enjoyed bowling, camping, billiards and playing cards.

On August 21, 1976, in Cadillac he married Judith A. Schmidt and Judy survives him along with his son, Timothy (Nikki) Cooley of Boon, stepchildren: Brenda (Tim) Maier of Cadillac, Greg (Stacey) Thompson; eight grandchildren; siblings: Ken Cooley and Dolores Beaumann both of Cadillac.

He was preceded in death by his parents; siblings: Phyllis, Robert, and Donna.

Cremation has taken place and his final resting place will be Maple Hill Cemetery in Cadillac. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society. An online guestbook is available at www.petersonfh.com.

Tribute Wall

VB

“ So sorry for your loss Ken and family. Thoughts & prayers.

Vickie Butler - January 28 at 02:34 PM

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“ I have so many memories of Uncle Jerry. I remember when Grandma & Grandpa were living in Gaylord, I begged him to give me his 45 record of Return to Sender by Elvis. He finally did give it to me. I was only around 11 or 12 years old.

Jean Olson - January 27 at 07:06 PM

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“ I'm thinking of you all. Dolores, I'm so sorry. Sending you hugs from Pennsylvania. Judy & family, I'm so sorry. I was a good friend of Dolores in school (& Judy). I am sending hugs & prayers to all.
Carin Cornell Fulmer, Linfield, Pennsylvania

Carin Fulmer - January 27 at 04:48 PM

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“ Sherry Bryant lit a candle in memory of Jerald Dee Cooley



Sherry Bryant - January 27 at 12:40 PM