



Stanley "Stan" F. Estrada

November 20, 1929 - December 18, 2015

Stanley (Stan) F. Estrada of Cadillac entered into eternal life December 18, 2015 at home with his loving wife Carolyn at his side.

Stan was 86 years old, born November 20, 1929 in Detroit, the sixth of eight children born to Estanislao and Guadalupe (Colin) Estrada.

He graduated from Western High School and after serving in the seventh army division as an infantry man in the Korean War where he was awarded the Combat Infantry Badge, Purple Heart Medal and other accommodations. He went on to obtain a degree in accounting at Walsh College. He later became a highly regarded systems analyst; working for the big three auto companies and later Blue Cross Blue Shield developing systems for hospitals.

A very caring and generous man, he did years of volunteering at the VA hospital in Ann Arbor. While wintering in Mesquite, Nevada he enjoyed teaching English to the Spanish speaking immigrants, as Spanish was his first language.

Stanley leaves behind to mourn him his wife, Carolyn Myers Felsk Estrada; from his first marriage he was blessed with eight surviving children: Alice Estrada, Mary (David) Moss, Lawrence (Sara) Estrada, Steven Estrada, Theresa Estrada, Patricia (Tim) Saling, Kathleen Estrada and Martin (Angela)

Estrada; 15 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren. He also welcomed into his life with Carolyn, whom he wed July 6, 1977, four step children: Robin Brooks, Cindy (Dan) Cuddeback, Allison Jackson and Scott (Rachel) Felsk; nine step grandchildren and six step great- grandchildren; brothers in-laws Harvey Walker and Keith Myers; sister in-laws Betty Jones and Kathy (Darrel) Hall, and many nieces and nephews.

Waiting for him in heaven are his son, Raymond Estrada 1993; step daughter Shawne Felsk 1992; great- grandson Jack Matthew Cuddeback, 2004 also his parents, siblings, mother and father in laws, Pearl and Clarence Myers, and his sisters-in- law and brothers-in-law.

Funeral services will be held 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, December 23, 2015 at the Peterson Funeral Home in Cadillac with Chaplain Walter Ross officiating with full military rites under the auspices of the Cadillac Area Honor Guard. Friends may meet the family one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Burial will take place at Maple Hill Cemetery in Cadillac.

Memorial contributions may be made to Disabled American Veterans. An online guestbook is available at www.petersonfh.com.

Tribute Wall

SG

“ *I am sorry that I couldn't be there for grandpa's funeral. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.*

Sarah Gray - December 23, 2015 at 01:49 PM

AE

“ *Dear Ones,*
I am very sorry for your loss. I know Uncle Stan was full of life (as was my Dad, his brother, Tony)...they were always up to something and had a twinkle in their eyes.
I am very thankful to Uncle Stan for providing me nine wonderful cousins. There was no better time in childhood than a day with the cousins: playing hide and seek near the old silo, the boys catching bats from the attic and placing them in jars, and Alice making mouth watering tostadas with all the fixings for feasting. Such great childhood memories...
Then there was the time when I was six-years-old and I walked through the glass doorwall. I sustained some pretty serious cuts and had to go to the ER. My mom said, "Would you like to go see Uncle Stan?" and I knew everything would be all right. He always had that warm and dashing smile and a kind way about him that put everyone at ease. And of course, seeing him, did make everything alright!
I wish I could be there as I would love to see everyone again!! I do apologize for not keeping in better touch.
My heart goes out to you all with deepest sympathy.
With love from,
Anita (Estrada) Evans and family

Anita (Estrada) Evans - December 23, 2015 at 10:17 AM

DB

“ Carolyn, and the Estrada Cousins,

Unfortunately we are unable to make arrangements for my dad and since he can't be left alone for more than an hour or two, Jack and I will be unable to attend Uncle Stanley's service tomorrow. However, I want to let you all know how sorry we are for your loss. Although I know that these past months and especially these past few weeks he hasn't had the best quality of life, I am certain that he appreciated having you all around over Thanksgiving. He knew he was well loved and is finally at peace.

I imagine that he is up above now hanging with his sibs. I can imagine that Mom has cooked up a huge batch of tostadas and enchiladas. Stanley and Tony brought the whiskey. Bob stopped at the La Gloria Bakery and brought two grocery bags full of tortillas and Mexican sweets.

I remember sitting around my Mom's kitchen table laughing so hard that I would be crying as I listened to my Uncles tell sorry after story of their misspent youth! The more they drank the more ridiculous the stories became. Aunt Boo and Uncle George would cover our ears as the stories ramped up.

Those were fun times and I will always remember fondly all of the first generation Estrada's. Now it is time for each of us to carry on the Estrada pride. Your Dad has left a long Estrada legacy with all of his children, grandchildren, step grandchildren, and respective great grand children. Hugs to you all. Celebrate his life.

*Love,
Jack, Dianne, Zach, and Nick*

Dianne Baker - December 22, 2015 at 05:00 PM

FM

“ Our deepest sympathies go out to the entire family, You are all in our prayers.

Florence McPherson - December 22, 2015 at 04:56 PM

FM

“ Our deepest sympathy to all the family in the loss of your loved one. Our thoughts and prayers will be with you. May Stan rest in peace.

FRANCIS & ELEANOR MARTIN - December 21, 2015 at 07:48 PM

CP

“ Carolyn, You and your family are in our prayers!

Carla Palozzilo - December 21, 2015 at 06:09 PM

EM

“ Carolyn, have thought of you so many times over the years. Still visit on occasion at Shawn's grave. Your story has always intrigued me. So very sorry for your loss. Stan was a remarkable man. Will see you Weds. Prayers for peace and thinking of all your family. Blessings.

Elsie L. Moore - December 19, 2015 at 06:41 AM

CK

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the family at this difficult time.

Curt , Darlene Keskinen - December 18, 2015 at 09:14 PM