



## Wayne A. Sluiter

October 3, 1943 - February 4, 2026

Wayne A. Sluiter of Cadillac passed away, Wednesday, February 4, 2026 at Munson Healthcare Cadillac Hospital. He was 82.

Wayne was born October 3, 1943, in Lucas to Martin and Florence (Marvin) Sluiter, Sr. He was a member of the Manton Seventh Day Adventist Church.

Wayne served in the United States Army as a medic and had a deep appreciation and respect for fellow veterans. He worked as respiratory therapist at Mercy Hospital for over 20 years. In 1996 he began AR-Cole Medical with his sister, Sandra Cole where he continued in home health care. Wayne enjoyed hunting, collecting guns, fishing, tractors and flying airplanes. Whenever he started up his motorcycle his wife, Mary, was ready, helmet in hand; they enjoyed going for many rides together.

Wayne is survived by children: Terry Sluiter (Ethelyn Greene), Teresa Frye; grandsons: Davey (Taylor) Sluiter, Jared Frye (Sarea Droope), Brandon Frye (Katie McClung); two great-grandchildren and siblings: Martin Sluiter, Jr. and Carol Rolf.

On May 27, 1972 in Cadillac he married Mary K. Hoisington and she preceded him in death on May 11, 2021. In addition to his parents and wife Wayne was preceded in death by five siblings: Sandra Cole, John Sluiter, Dean Sluiter,

Phyllis Greeley, and Arlene Small.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. An online guestbook is available at [www.petersonfh.com](http://www.petersonfh.com).

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Amy Coffell lit a candle in memory of Wayne A. Sluiter*



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**Amy Coffell** - February 06 at 01:01 PM

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“ *Marty Gouin lit a candle in memory of Wayne A. Sluiter*



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**marty Gouin** - February 05 at 09:29 PM

JL

“ My Uncle Wayne was 2 years older than his sister, my Aunt Sandra, who was a few months younger than I. Being so close in age the three of us were playmates in our childhood and I have many happy memories of carefree days spent on my grandparent’s farm.

*I will also remember him as having strong opinions, willing to learn, having a great love for the Lord and Bible study. He enjoyed being a medic and his years spent as a respiratory therapist. He had shared many of those memories with me during a long phone visit just last December. He was also thoughtful to others, he made a huge pot of soup for our family and a favorite dish for my Mom during her final Hospice days, as well as organized a brief but meaningful visit from her siblings that week.*

*Having always been close to his sister Sandra he assumed responsibility for her care after she suffered a traumatic brain injury a few years ago. I will be forever grateful that he gave her great care under sometimes challenging situations while she relied on him completely. She preceded him in death only by 56 days. She had shared with me the week prior to her unexpected death that she didn’t know what she would do without him. God is good and his timing perfect.*

*Judith Lau*

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**Judith Lau** - February 05 at 09:22 PM

JL

“ Wayne was such a great friend and he will be truly missed. He liked doing for others. He knew I liked Zagnut candy bars and the only place that sells them is Cracker Barrel, so he would grab one for me when he went there and put it in my car while I was at work as a surprise. I actually think he bought stock in the Zagnut company because I would receive one even when I knew he hadn't been there. He loved the Lord and enjoyed sharing his faith and knowledge with others and he loved his family with all his heart.

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**Julie LaPan** - February 05 at 03:10 PM

LW

“ I knew Mr. Sluiter years ago when he worked at Mercy Hospital as a Respiratory Therapist. At the time I was a teenager struggling with frequent bouts of asthma which sent me to the ER frequently. Wayne was frequently the RT when I came in so many a breathing treatment was administered by him. He was always kind and compassionate. He was one of my favorite therapists at the hospital.

*I pray for God's peace and comfort for you at this time.*

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**Lori Watson** - February 05 at 08:31 AM

BW

*very nice man knew him for years he took me on my first plane ride  
Our thoughts and prayers are with his family*

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**Bob and Helen Williams** - February 06 at 12:16 PM