



Gerald "Jerry" Killips

December 9, 1937 - March 1, 2014

Gerald "Jerry" Killips, age 76, of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan passed away Saturday afternoon, March 1, 2014 at War Memorial Hospital. Jerry was born on December 9, 1937 in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan to the late Fernley" Ben" and Mary (Grant) Killips. After graduating from high school, Jerry enlisted in the United States Army. He served in France and Germany. He was a member of the American Legion Post #3, and Moose Lodge #717. Jerry worked as a beer truck driver. He was an avid Red Wing fan. He loved playing cribbage, and doing crosswords. He also enjoyed reading and fishing. He was involved in the antique engine club and could often be found helping with the engines at the fair. On October 24, 1987, Jerry married Sandra J. Newcomb at the First Church of Christ. Jerry is survived by his second wife: Sandra Garniss Killips; sons: Paul (Darlene) Killips, Jim (Kim) Killips, Jerry Killips Jr. and Jeff (Tammy) Killips all of Sault Ste. Marie, MI, John Garniss of Menominee, MI and Russ (Sandy) Garniss of Green Bay, WI; two daughters: Carla (Ron) Cole of Senatobia, Mississippi, and Donna Killips, of Mackinac Island MI; grandchildren: Brian Killips, Kevin Killips, Jenna Killips, Mandy Templeton, Samantha Bernard, Brandon Killips, Andrea Killips, Hunter Garniss, Abby Killips, Trevor Killips, Tyler Killips; four great grandchildren. He is also survived by sisters: Barbara (Ken) Jefferson and Sandra Jacobs of Watervliet, MI; a brother: Dick Killips of Stevensville, MI; and a former spouse: Pauline Killips of Sault Ste., Marie, MI. He was preceded in death by his parents; siblings: Bob Killips, Lyle Killips, Ben Killips, and Audrey Myotte. A

memorial service will be held at 3:00 PM on Wednesday, March 5, 2014 at the American Legion Post #3 with Pastor Lou Bergman officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be left to help with funeral expenses.

Tribute Wall

LC

“ *Paul and I are in Florida and mom is in Texas. We were so sorry to hear of Jerry's passing. Please accept our heartfelt condolences and hugs to each and every one of the family members.*

*Paul and Lori Wilson
Donna Clarke*

Lori Clarke - March 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Sending my deepest heart felt condolences to Sandy and family.*

Jerry and Sandy were our neighbors for years. I was blessed to have such awesome people living next door to me. They were the kind of neighbors everyone hopes to have living next door when you move in to a new home. Welcoming, friendly, kind and caring.

Jerry was such a kind and caring man always willing to lend a helping hand. I enjoyed chats with him every day as did my husband. He was easy going and always had a joke and a smile for us every day and he, Sandy, Gary and I enjoyed many discussions and much laughter with both of them. They both left their mark in my heart.. beautiful friends and neighbors that I shall never forget.

Rest in peace my good friend.

My heart felt hugs, love and prayers to Sandy and the family.

Linda LaMothe

Linda LaMothe - March 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Sandy You and your family are in our prayers. God Bless.*

Gary & Joan Hill - March 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ *Jeff & Tami, Jerry & Donna, and families. Sorry to hear about the loss of your father/father-in-law. My thoughts are with you at this difficult time. Hugs to all. Love, Connie*

Connie MacDowell - March 04, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ *Dear Darlene and Paul,
We are so sorry to hear of your father's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.
Rev Chris & Lynn (from Johnson's Body Shop) Gillies*

Rev Chris & Lynn Gillies - March 03, 2014 at 12:00 AM