



## John Edward Grady, Jr.

April 4, 1931 - January 9, 2012

John Edward "Big John" Grady, Jr., age 80, of Brimley, Michigan passed away Monday morning, January 9, 2012 at the Long Term Care Unit of War Memorial Hospital. John was born on April 4, 1931 in Detroit, Michigan, the son of the late John and Mildred (Peas) Grady. He married Lone Farison on February 5, 1966 in Clare, Michigan. He worked for many years as an auto body repairman. He worked for Ted Cathy's Chevrolet, then Roe Chevrolet, and eventually retired from Sadler Motors. On the side, he'd also repair radiators. He was a go to person for many friends who needing advice as to, how to fix or paint their vehicles. John enjoyed camping trips to Canada. His favorite campground was Archibald's Campground in Debra, Ontario. He spent many summers in his boat, exploring the coastlines of both the US and Canada, picnicking on the many islands. John also loved to go snowmobiling and was very involved with the first I-500, where he was a tow sled operator. He enjoyed the outdoors, cutting firewood, and clearing wood properly. He spent many hours building lawn tractors for his grandkids, who would enter local tractor pulls and at the Chippewa County Fair. This turned into his working on anything with a small gas motor and many hours tinkering in his garage. John is survived by his wife: Lone M. (Farison) Grady; three sons: Ricky (Pamela) Walker of Appleton, WI, Kevin (Michelle) Walker of Dafter, MI, and John Grady III of Fenton, MI; a daughter: Diane Bommerito of Houston, TX; twenty grandchildren, twenty-two great grandchildren and several great great grandchildren. He is also survived by a brother: Fred (Donna) Grady Jr.

of Mecosta, MI; John was preceded in death by his mother: Mildred (Peas) Martin; his father: Walter Martin; a sister: Norma Jean Moore; and his birth father: John E. Grady, Sr. Funeral services will be held at 1:00 PM on Monday, January 16, 2012 at Oaklawn Chapel Gardens with Pastor Daniel Knepper officiating. Friends may call at the cemetery from 11:30 AM until the time of the service. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be left to Road to Recovery.

# Tribute Wall

DB

“ *Dad I miss you so much. I could not have asked for a more wonderful dad. I love you*

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**Diana Bommarito** - May 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ *I am his granddaughter and my grandfather was the best granddad a girl could have.he was so loving and sweet,always helping out others just for the pure joy in it.i might not have seen him since i was a kid but i always talked to him on the phone.i am going to miss him very much but i know hes in a better place now with god.may he rest in piece.i love him very much and i will never forget him*

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**Paula Harris** - August 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ *I'M JOHN'S ONLY DAUGHTER I MISS MY DAD ALOT.IT HAS BEEN AWHILE SINCE I'VE SEEN HIM. BUT I KNOW HE IS IN A BETTER PLACE NOW. MY DAD WAS A AWESOME DAD ONE YOU COULD GO TO DAY OR NIGHT TO TALK TO. MY DAD WAS IRISH. WHEN WE WERE LITTLE EVERY SUMMER WE WOULD GO CAMPING IN CANADA. MY DAD LOVED NATURE. WE WOULD GO OUT ON THE BOAT OFTEN GO THROUGH THE SOO LOCKS OFTEN. WE WOULD GO FISHING. MY DD WAS AT PEACE OUTDOORS. HE LOVED THE UPPER PENSULIA. MY FAVORITE MEMORY OF HIM WAS TEACHING US KIDS HOW TO WATERSKI.MY DAD AND IONE COMPILMENTED EACH OTHER THEY WERE A PERFECT MATCH.*

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**DIANA BOMMARITO** - August 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ Just letting you know that we are sorry for your loss.

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**charles and rachel walters** - February 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SD

“ We just wanted to express our deepest sympathy to Johns family. John sold us our first piece of land for our home, in Sault Marie Michigan, He was the most kindest man, he will always be remembered as a friend.

*Scott & Kathy Dale*

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**Scott & Kathy Dale** - January 16, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ Aunt lone, my deepest sympathy. I wish I were there for you today. Much love Marge.

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**Marge** - January 16, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ I worked with John as a kid at Roe Chevrolet..John always had time to "teach"...and I learned a lot about the body business from him.. What I enjoyed about John most, however, was his sense of humor...He will be missed.

*Jim Roe*

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**Jim Roe** - January 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MN

“ lone: So sorry to hear of John's passing.I hope you are doing okay.I talked to Jim and told him, so he will probably be contacting you. Take care now. Love Mary Ann (Collia)Naelitz

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mary ann (collia) naelitz - January 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM