



Larry Putnam

February 21, 1949 - April 2, 2019

Larry Nelson Putnam, age 70, of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan passed away early Tuesday morning, April 2, 2019, at his home.

Larry was born on February 21, 1949, in Saginaw, Michigan to the late Nelson and Shirley (DeShone) Putnam. He was raised in Florida but moved back to Saginaw for his high school years and graduated from MacArthur High School with the class of 1967. Larry served in the United States Navy during the Vietnam War on the USS Tutuila. He worked for City Disposal Garbage, a company that was started by his grandfather in Saginaw. He was a member of the Saginaw Rotary Club and Sheriff Posse. On March 24, 1973, Larry married Sandra Bennett in Saginaw and in 1979 they moved to Barbeau. For 30 years, they owned and operated the Island View Resort.

In recent years, Larry was the manager and FBO of Sanderson Field here in Sault Ste. Marie. He was a flight instructor and active with the Young Eagles. Larry was a member of the Soo Pilots Association, Lions Club, and the Elks.

Larry is survived by his wife: Sandra Putnam; his daughter: Jean Putnam of Sault Ste. Marie, MI; his sister: Cheryl (John Rethman) Putnam of Saginaw, MI; two nephews, and a niece.

According to Larry's wishes, no public services will be held. In lieu of flowers,

memorials may be left to Hospice of the EUP or the Soo Pilots Association.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Sandy (and Jean) I am so sad to hear about Larry's passing, I remember both you and Larry as being such wonderful people and Jean being this adorable, sweet girl. Know that my thoughts and prayers are with you and Jean at this time. Katie also sends her thoughts and love to Jean.*



Dawn Miltz - April 04, 2019 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Dearest Mrs. Putnam and Jeannie Belle: I am so very sorry to learn of your tremendous loss. I remember Mr. Putnam from my early middle school days: he was fun, and light-hearted, and kind. Never a man to intimidate, but to teach. I hope that you and your family find comfort in the many, happy memories you have with him. Please know that my family and myself are thinking of you during this difficult time.*



Katie Miltz - April 04, 2019 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Larry and I were truly best friends. We shared thoughts on many topics and enjoyed each other's company. Aviation meant so much to both of us. The cruise to the Caribbean in 2010 was most memorable. Larry never stopped talking about how great the food was on the cruise ship. Unfortunately many of the things we talked about doing sadly did not happen. May blue skies and strong tailwinds be with you always Larry. I miss you my friend.*

Bruce Hutt - April 03, 2019 at 12:00 AM