



Leo Dean Hedger

February 27, 1933 - May 9, 2018

Leo Dean Hedger, age 85 of Barbeau, Michigan, died May 9, 2018 at Medi-Lodge Care Center in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan. Leo was born February 27, 1933, in Flint, Michigan, to Lloyd James Hedger and Alice Fish Hedger.

Leo grew up in Flint and dropped out of high school when he was 16 to join the United States Army to fight in Korea. Following basic training, he was on a ship bound for Korea when his orders were changed and the ship was rerouted to Anorage, Alaska. He served in transportation in Alaska and then was transferred to Camp Lucas in Michigan's Upper Peninsula where he served until his honorable discharge in November of 1952.

Leo moved home to Flint and worked as an autoworker for GM at Fisherbody, Coldwater Road. In October of 1965 Leo married Mary Beezley, their only child was born the following year. He and Mary retired to Barbeau in April, 1986.

Leo was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and The American Legion Post #3 in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan. Leo was an avid hunter. His passion was shooting and he won many awards and trophies in competition shooting events, he was also a life-time member of the National Rifle Association.

Leo is survived by his daughter, Lisa Dea Hedger-Fielding of Barbeau;

grandchildren, Sophia (Steven) McAdams, Olivia (Kurtis) O'Guin, Shannan (Tyler) Pippin, and Jeffrey E. Fox; and great grandchildren, Bradyn, Ezra, Kloey, Graesyn, and Zoiey.

Leo was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Hedger; sisters, Shirley Harger and Mary Ellen Smith; and brothers, Richard Hedger and James Hedger.

Burial will be in Oaklawn Chapel Gardens.

Cemetery Details

Oaklawn Chapel Gardens

15264 S. M-129
Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783

Previous Events

Graveside Service

MAY 14. 11:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Leo Dean Hedger*

October 05, 2023 at 09:54 AM



“ *Leo Dean Hedger*

October 02, 2023 at 10:14 PM



“ *Leo Dean Hedger*

September 01, 2022 at 07:49 PM



“ *I have known Mr. Hedger for over 20 years. I worked at the Veterinary Clinic in Pickford and he always tried to be tough, but I saw through it. I showed up to his house one year with some homemade cookies for him and some biscuits for his dogs. His response was "what are you selling?" As I tossed the dog biscuits to him I said "nothing you old crab, Merry Christmas!" This routine lasted several years and we became friends. I loved to tease him and get a smile from him. I most recently visited him at Medilodge where the last time I asked him if he wanted a hug when I left. Part of me was just wanting to see what he said:) He said "Well, that's up to you." So I hugged him and I am glad that I did. He never remembered my name in 20 years; I was just Ray Lajoie's granddaughter:) My thoughts and prayers go out to his daughter.
Danielle (Rye) Wood*

Danielle Wood - May 14, 2018 at 01:07 PM

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“ *Thoughts and prayers. I knew Leo from coming into gas station where I worked and would visit with him. One of a kind. We lived right off 20 mile rd so would see him walk his dogs.*

marcia pidgen - May 13, 2018 at 09:43 PM