



Leonard \"Ducky\" Nelson

January 21, 2019

Leonard Arthur "Ducky" Nelson, 80 of St. Ignace Township passed away Monday afternoon, January 21 at Mackinac Straits Hospital ER following a lingering illness. He was always known as Ducky.. He was born November 6, 1938 in St. Ignace to Kenneth Arrthur and Helen Marie (Sczmanski) Nelson. He graduated from LaSalle High School in 1957. He was an Electrician for over 50 years, first working on the building the Mackinac Bridge and later as Foreman on the refit of the electrical system, a job he was very proud of. He also worked on the Soo Locks, and the Edison Power Plant, and many other major jobs in Michigan. He was a member of the IBEW Union. Ducky was a quiet person, and most happy in the woods. He loved to hunt, and just be in the woods. He knew all the area like the back of his hand. He once owned a sailboat and loved sailing. He also loved country music, the old original kind. His illness brought a halt to his beloved activity. He will be missed by those who knew him and his family.

He is survived by his wife, Rochelle Jeanette, (Pfenning) whom he married on August 3, 1962 at Zion Lutheran Church in ST. Ignace; 2 daughters. Chellie Nelson, Stillwater, Minn.; Jodi Nelson, Green Bay, Wisc.; brother, Dale and Dawn Nelson, ST. Ignace Township; 2 grandchildren. Samantha DeLong and Alayna Gohl; and one great granddaughter, Lorelai.

Funeral services will be held Monday, January 28 at Zion Lutheran Church in ST. Ignace at 2 pm with Pastor Dave Tielbar officiating. Visitation will be held from 1 pm at service time at the church. Burial will be in ST. Ignace Township

Cemetery at a later date. Dodson Funeral Home assisted with arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ Leonard \"Ducky\" Nelson

October 05, 2023 at 09:54 AM



“ Leonard \"Ducky\" Nelson

October 02, 2023 at 10:14 PM



“ Leonard \"Ducky\" Nelson

September 01, 2022 at 07:49 PM



“ Dear Rochelle, I am so sorry to hear of your loss. The two of you had a long life together.

Love, Hugs, Prayers and Blessings from our Lord, Naomi

Naomi Grote - January 30, 2019 at 07:53 PM



“ To a great older cousin. Learned a lot about Beagles. Hard worker. Quiet, yes. But spoke with knowledge. Will miss him. I remember the red Impala his first car. He would let use it to go to the Soo for shopping. Kept it very nice. Also his rabbits and white duck. Could write a short story about memories about Ducky.

Nelson Ronald W - January 27, 2019 at 10:08 PM

JG

“ *Our deepest sympathy Rochelle to you and your family. John has many hunting memories of hunting with Ducky. He always enjoyed his visits and reminiscing of the good old days.*

John and Gloria Gold - January 27, 2019 at 07:26 PM

RB

“ *Lots of memorys
Dick*

Richard Bentley - January 23, 2019 at 06:55 PM