



## Lyle Melvin Alarik Nordquist

July 14, 1928 - October 8, 2015

Lyle Melvin Alarik Nordquist, 87, of Cedarville, Michigan, died October 8, 2015 at his home in Cedarville. Lyle was born July 14, 1928 in Cedarville to Olaf Alarik Nordquist and Hilda Amanda Weston Nordquist.

Lyle grew up in Cedarville and attended Les Cheneaux Schools where he lettered in basketball. He also played drums in the high school band starting in the 8th grade. After graduating from high school, he went to work for the county road commission. He moved to the Detroit area with his family. Lyle worked in the automotive industry and then worked as a precision tool maker and foreman at several tool making companies. He was an innovator who was constantly inventing things and procedures to improve quality of work. He married Rhea Gray at St. Timothy in Livonia, Michigan on May 29, 1970. Lyle retired in 1993, and he and Rhea moved back to his family home in Cedarville where he ran Lyle's Saw Sharpening for several years.

Lyle was an avid outdoorsman who loved to fish and hunt. He enjoyed boating with his family and friends. He liked to go on hunting trips out west. Lyle was a sharpshooter. While in the Detroit area, he belonged to the Detroit Gun Club where he spent many hours shooting skeet. He won several awards at shooting competitions. Lyle bowled on two leagues, however the 300 game narrowly eluded him on several occasions. He was a Boy Scout leader in Inkster and was involved with Little League when his sons were that age.

When he returned to Cedarville he was active with the Historical Association of Cedarville, where he served as president. His entire life, he liked to garden, grow plants and flowers. He tried to grow plants that the deer didn't like to eat, however he found he didn't like them either.

Lyle is survived by his wife, Rhea; three sons, Jerry (Enrica) Gray of Fowlerville, Lyle Cavin (Diane) Nordquist of Mont Pelier, Virginia, William Nordquist of Hernando Florida; seven daughters, Mashelia (Jorge) Flores of Hacienda Heights, California, Terilynn Shields of Westland, Michigan. Rainell Nordquist of Gregory, Michigan, Roxanne (Dale) Bowerman of Cedarville, Denean (Mark) Taylor of Hernando, Florida, Sharon (David) Bonta of Homosassa, Florida, and Kimberly Ann (Michael) Holder of Saline, Michigan; twenty six grandchildren; thirty great grandchildren; and three great great grandchildren, totaling five generations of loving family. He is also survived by his sister-in-law, Pauline Nordquist of Cedarville.

Lyle was preceded in death by his son, John Nordquist; brothers, Edwin and Ronald Nordquist; sisters, Marion Demming, Virginia Smith, and Eunice Williams; sons-in-law, Howard Shields, Ronald Stobierski, and Terry Large.

Visitation for Lyle will be Monday, October 12 from 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. and Tuesday, October 13 from 12:00 Noon to 1:00 P.M. at R. Galer Funeral Home, 24549 S. M-129 in Pickford, Michigan. Funeral services will begin at 1:00 P.M. following visitation. Burial will be in Edgewood Cedar Cemetery in Cedarville.

# Cemetery Details

## Edgewood Cedar Cemetery

4 Mile Block Road  
Cedarville, MI 49719

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **12**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Family Life Funeral Homes - Pickford  
24549 S. M-129  
Pickford, MI 49774  
(906) 647-3400  
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## Visitation

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## Funeral Service

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OCT 13. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Lyle Melvin Alarik Nordquist*

October 05, 2023 at 09:54 AM



“ *Lyle Melvin Alarik Nordquist*

October 02, 2023 at 10:14 PM



“ *Lyle Melvin Alarik Nordquist*

September 01, 2022 at 07:49 PM



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October 12, 2015 at 09:18 AM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss. I haven't known the Nordquists for so very long, but long enough to like them very much. Lyle was always so nice and fun to visit with. It was easy to see that Rhea and Lyle were each other's friends, as well as spouses. It was apparent too, that the relationships with family were good too. He will be missed. God's blessings and comfort to you all.*

**Mary S Kee** - October 11, 2015 at 08:32 PM



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October 09, 2015 at 08:30 PM