



## Maurits Eugene Vermeylen

May 3, 1939 - May 22, 2022

Maurits "Mose" Vermeylen of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan passed away peacefully with family by his side, on Sunday May 22, 2022 in the War Memorial Hospital. Maurits was born in 1939 in Schriek, Belgium to Gustaaf and Augusta (Mylemans). He was the youngest of 6 children and spent his childhood years in Belgium. He moved to Detroit as a young man and then to his home in rural Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, where he spent the past 43 years. He worked for many years as a wood worker making beautiful wooden clocks.

Mose had many interests and in particular he was interested in history and geography and always enjoyed his nightly Jeopardy show where he knew many of the answers! He was an accomplished 'bar-Trivia' competitor with his 'team' from the Sault, ranking #9 in the country at one point.

Mose loved to travel and tell stories about his adventures. He traveled the world extensively accompanied by his good friends - Phil or Jon or with his cousin and friend, Bert. He also often accompanied Phil to Franciscan Chapter Reunions and to Rotary functions across the US. Mose loved nature and wildlife and had many camping experiences in North America and abroad. He especially loved to garden and his happiest times were spent gardening at his home and selling his produce at the Farmers' Markets.

Maurits is predeceased by his parents, Gustaaf and Augusta and his siblings, Willy, Rene, Joseph, and Robert. He is survived by his loving sister, Yvonne, and many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

He will be missed by his family and friends in USA, Canada, and Belgium. He will be dearly missed by his Canadian family, where he was like a father to Tammy (Heath) and Brian (Vera), a grandfather to Ethan (Bailey), Wesley (Hillary), Leah (Michael) and Julian and a great-grandfather to Waylon, Penny, June, and Wade.

A Celebration of Life will be held at Rotary Park in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan on June 11, 2022 at 2:00 pm (in case of rain, second floor meeting room) and in Ontario this summer with his family there, where they will share stories and laughs with some good Belgian beer.

Clark Hovie Galer Funeral Home assisted the family with arrangements.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Maurits Eugene Vermeulen*

October 05, 2023 at 09:54 AM



“ *Maurits Eugene Vermeulen*

October 02, 2023 at 10:14 PM



“ *Maurits Eugene Vermeulen*

September 01, 2022 at 07:49 PM



“ *Very nice person, got to know him at the Farmers market in the Sault. He always had a smile. He will be missed. Prayers go out to his family.*

**Cheryl** - June 07, 2022 at 03:01 AM



“ *I will miss my travel buddy and best friend Mose. Miss the hour long talks about politics, nature and the past. Mose really shaped my life over the last 20 years.  
Rest in Peace Mose.*



**Bert Mylemans** - May 30, 2022 at 03:04 AM

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“ On May 22 we lost our Uncle Mose. He will be so dearly missed by his family and friends. I'll especially miss his humour, his willingness to do anything and everything, his political, historical and geographical knowledge. He was always the one who'd educate me on the history of whatever we were talking about! He was the King of Jeopardy and Trivia. He even taught me how to speak his Belgian language, Flemish. His love for travelling and learning was so evident in all conversations he had with his family and friends. He was like a grandfather to me and I'll miss our long phone calls every few days. His name was Maurits, but as a young child I couldn't pronounce it, so I called him Mose. And that stuck. That was the name he went by for the rest of his life. Rest In Peace, Mose. You are so loved. ❤️



Leah Gurr - May 29, 2022 at 03:55 PM

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Tammy Gurr - May 29, 2022 at 03:36 PM

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**Tammy Gurr** - May 29, 2022 at 02:31 PM