



## Russell Albert Sherlund

August 8, 1950 - June 23, 2019

Russell Albert Sherlund, age 68, of Cedarville, Michigan, died suddenly on June 23, 2019. He was born August 8, 1950, in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, to Rudolph August and Opal Elizabeth (Harrison) Sherlund.

Russell was a lifelong Cedarville resident and graduated from Cedarville High School in 1969, where he played multiple sports. He was drafted into the United States Army in the fall of 1969. Immediately following basic training, he was stationed in Vietnam until his discharge in September of 1971. While serving in Vietnam, he was awarded a Bronze Star Medal and recognition for marksmanship. Russell returned to Cedarville where he, his brother, Lyle, and their father, worked together building Rudy Sherlund Excavating, Inc. into a respected business providing excavating services to the Cedarville area. During the past few years he has especially enjoyed adding his son, Ross, and his nephew, Jason (Lyle's son) to the work crew at the business.

Russell has been a member of the Dafter Horse & Pony Club/Tri-County Speed Horse Association for over 50 years. Horses were always a big part of his life and one of his greatest joys was getting all of his children riding and competing. Everyone wanted to get their hands on a "Russell" horse. His last ride was June 22, 2019, in Stalwart where he placed in several events. Russell took his family on many family vacations to Florida where he and his wife, Susan, now spend their winters. Russell and Susan enjoyed going to

auctions, garage sales, and flea markets. You never knew what treasure or deal they might find to bring home to their resale shop in Cedarville. Russell has always been an avid sports fan of all of the area teams. Even as an adult, he played multiple sports himself. He followed his children, nieces, and nephews, no matter what school they played for or what sport they played, including basketball, volleyball, hockey, baseball, and track. He loved to attend every game and often came home to tell them what they could do better, win or lose.

Russell is survived by his wife, Susan Elaine (Tuori) Sherlund whom he married November 30, 1974, at the Bethel Lutheran Church in Cedarville; daughter, Stephanie Tuori of Cedarville; sons, Benjamin Sherlund of Traskwood, Arkansas, Andrew (Jennifer) Sherlund of Rose City, Michigan, and Ross (Ashley) Sherlund of Cedarville; grandchildren, Colten Hill, Jager Hill, Maverick Sherlund, Ethan Sherlund, Isla Sherlund, and Sailor Sherlund. He is also survived by sisters, Rosemary (Mark) McPherson of Cedarville, and Beverly (William) Tuori of Dafter, Michigan; brother, Lyle (Sharon) Sherlund of Cedarville; and brother-in-law, Gary Graham of Alpena, Michigan.

Russell was preceded in death by his parents; son, Scott Tuori; and sister, Gloria Graham.

Services will be held Friday, June 28, at R. Galer Funeral Home, 24549 S. M-129 in Pickford, Michigan. Visitation will be held from 12:00 Noon until 4:00 P.M. with the funeral service to follow beginning at 4:00 P.M.

Burial will be in Cedar Cemetery in Cedarville.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Tri-County Speed Horse Association, P.O. Box 1263, Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783 or Fuel Fund at Bethel Lutheran Church, 217 N. M-129, Cedarville, MI 49719.



# Cemetery Details

## Edgewood Cedar Cemetery

4 Mile Block Road  
Cedarville, MI 49719

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JUN 28.** 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Family Life Funeral Homes - Pickford  
24549 S. M-129  
Pickford, MI 49774  
(906) 647-3400  
flfh@familylifefh.com  
<https://www.familylifefuneralhomes.com/>

## Funeral Service

**JUN 28.** 4:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Russell Albert Sherlund*

October 05, 2023 at 09:54 AM



“ *Russell Albert Sherlund*

October 02, 2023 at 10:14 PM



“ *Russell Albert Sherlund*

September 01, 2022 at 07:49 PM



“ *My sincere condolences to Sue and the Sherlund family. The overflow crowd at the funeral home was a remarkable testament to the positive influence that Russell had on our local community.*

*Jan and I first met Russell and the rest of the Rudy Sherlund crew when we bought a lot on Prentiss Bay 30 years ago. They excavated for our cabin foundation and built our septic field. That first project led to several more over the years. They were always good natured, friendly and always found a few minutes to chew the fat. Over that time I grew to consider Russell and Lyle as friends.*

*Russell you are missed, Rest In Peace.*

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Dan Reelitz - June 29, 2019 at 05:47 PM

JK

“ Russ , was a dynamo..... Unique, Special & Caring husband, dad, Brother, Friend....etc. A Great Man! He left us too soon ( for sure ) He is Missed !

john kostecki - June 28, 2019 at 01:42 PM

TF

“ The Shields Family purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Russell Albert Sherlund.



The Shields Family - June 28, 2019 at 12:32 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Russell Albert Sherlund.



June 27, 2019 at 06:59 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Russell Albert Sherlund.



June 27, 2019 at 07:37 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Russell Albert Sherlund.*



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June 26, 2019 at 09:18 PM



“ *I am deeply saddened, though I did not know Mr. Sherlund. I worked with Ben at the Chippewa County Jail for some time. To Ben: Your Dad must have been quite a man as he raised you to be an upstanding man who was a pleasure to work with. My condolences to your entire family, Ben.*

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**Richard McBryde** - June 26, 2019 at 07:15 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Russell Albert Sherlund.*



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June 26, 2019 at 02:27 PM



“ *Susan and family,  
I was so sorry to hear of the loss of your husband.  
Sending prayers for you and your family.  
Penny Miller Collison*

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**Penny Miller Collison** - June 26, 2019 at 01:38 PM

CB

“ *Carol Brady lit a candle in memory of Russell Albert Sherlund*



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**carol brady** - June 26, 2019 at 01:30 PM

CB

“ *Dear Susan and Family,  
My oh my! Good memories of being with All having coffee and conversation on Saturday morning. A for sure topic was how high(knee) corn was for the 4th of JULY— my knee or Maurie’s knee. I was going to call Saturday and tell them corn was not going to make my knee high this year.  
Praying for all, Good People these Sherlunds  
Carol Brady*

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**carol brady** - June 26, 2019 at 01:29 PM

JM

“ *Dear Susan and Family,  
Thinking of you. Praying for your peace and comfort during this difficult time.  
Sincerely,  
Joel and Gail*

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**Joel and Gail Mars** - June 26, 2019 at 12:56 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Russell Albert Sherlund.*



June 26, 2019 at 11:45 AM



“ *Gary, April, Kelsey and Kenzie Frazho purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Russell Albert Sherlund.*



**Gary, April, Kelsey and Kenzie Frazho** - June 26, 2019 at 10:43 AM



“ *Tom & Aleta Ennis purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Russell Albert Sherlund.*



**Tom & Aleta Ennis** - June 26, 2019 at 08:02 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Russell Albert Sherlund.*



June 25, 2019 at 10:39 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Russell Albert Sherlund.*



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June 25, 2019 at 09:54 PM



“ *With Distinction was purchased for the family of Russell Albert Sherlund.*



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June 25, 2019 at 09:34 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Russell Albert Sherlund.*



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June 25, 2019 at 09:14 PM



Cindy Schultz-Pierce

“ *So very sorry to hear of Russell's passing. My thoughts and prayers for all of the family in this difficult time.*

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**Cindy Schultz-Pierce** - June 25, 2019 at 08:27 PM

MJ

“ *Condolences to you and your family Sue.  
Russel with a great person and friend.  
He will be greatly missed.  
Mandy and Chris Jarrell*

Mandy & Chris Jarrell - June 25, 2019 at 08:22 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the  
family of Russell Albert Sherlund.*



June 25, 2019 at 07:20 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the  
family of Russell Albert Sherlund.*



June 25, 2019 at 12:58 PM

DL

“ *I am so very saddened to read of Russell's passing. I only met him  
and his dear wife about two weeks ago in Stalwart at the fair  
grounds where Russell was having the time of his life with his horse!  
Susan, my heart aches for you and I hope the precious memories  
will bring some comfort for you and your family in the days ahead!!  
My prayers ❤️*

Diane Laitinen - June 25, 2019 at 11:56 AM

BL

“ *Betty Letscher lit a candle in memory of Russell Albert Sherlund*



**Betty Letscher** - June 25, 2019 at 10:55 AM

BL

*Sue and family,  
So sorry to hear this. I will remember his laugh and teasing. I told the "Sherlund Brothers" there was nothing they could say or do to me that my 4 older brothers haven't already said or done. But they kept trying. He was one of the good ones. Now he is having coffee with Rudy. You are in our prayers.*

**Betty Letscher** - June 25, 2019 at 10:59 AM

CB

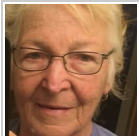
“ *Dear Susan & Family~*

*So very sorry for your loss of Russ.  
My thoughts & prayers are with you..*

*Sincerely,  
Cheryl Bernard  
(One of your old Country Curl Customers)*



**C. Bernard** - June 25, 2019 at 10:52 AM



“ *I knew this man from his childhood. Recently we talked about how things were earlier in this area and I acknowledged him in my latest book "Revelation at the Snows". He will be truly missed. He was always willing to help and give advice. My best to Sue and entire family. Love*

**Audrey Fick** - June 25, 2019 at 09:37 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Russell Albert Sherlund.*



June 25, 2019 at 09:30 AM



“ *We will always remember Russell with a smile and his kind ways. He would always greet you as though you were a long lost friend and made you feel loved. My heart goes out to all his loved ones . Russell will be greatly missed. God had a very special place waiting for you dear cousin.*

**Diane Nugent** - June 25, 2019 at 08:43 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Russell Albert Sherlund.*



June 25, 2019 at 08:40 AM



“ *Johnny Sr., Johnny Jr., Jason and Hilary Fountain purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Russell Albert Sherlund.*



**Johnny Sr., Johnny Jr., Jason and Hilary Fountain** - June 25, 2019 at 07:47 AM

JD

“ I’ll always think of Mr. Sherlund when I’m riding my horses. His memory will always be with us all at Stalwart and Tri-County Speed Horse Assn. He was one of the good guys. I’m sorry for your loss and my thoughts are with you and your family Ben.

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**Julie Dodson** - June 25, 2019 at 12:06 AM