



## Wallace K. DePlonty

June 20, 1937 - January 9, 2016

Wallace was born on June 20, 1937 to Oscar and Laurretta (Grextan) DePlonty on the family farm in Bruce Township. He lived in the home until he married Ruby and constructed a home right next door. Wallace passed away surrounded by family and loved ones on January 9, 2016. Wallace is survived by 3 sisters, Stella (Linda Miller) DePlonty, Wilma (Dwayne) Betram, and Annie (Wayne) Botrell all of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan. Wallace was married to Ruby (Reid) from 1958 until her death in 1990. Wallace and Ruby raised the following children: Carl (Sandy) DePlonty, Sault MI, Tom (Jolene) DePlonty, Sault MI, James (Cathy) DePlonty, Ludington MI, Patti (James) Perron, Sault MI and David (Connie) DePlonty, Sault MI. Wallace had many grandchildren: Brian (Yvette) DePlonty, Alexia (Justin) Jarvi, Dana (DJ Mansfield) DePlonty, Kaitlyn DePlonty, Jenna (Tim Petersen) DePlonty, Madison DePlonty, Christina Perron, Matthew (Tiffany) DePlonty, Nicholas (Rachel Russell) DePlonty. Great Grandchildren include Desiree Castillo, Destiny DePlonty, Zoey DePlonty, and Sawyer DePlonty. Wallace was also the beloved Uncle to numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wives, brothers Milton (Caroline) DePlonty, John ( Terri ) DePlonty and his sisters Madiline ( Robert ) Chandler, Marion (Harold) Reid and Betty Lou DePlonty. Wallace was then married to Barbara (Mitchell) from 1996 until her death in 2008. Wallace was also a father, grandfather and great grandfather to many of Barb's children. Wallace had a great companion in the last 6 years of his life. Pepper was a small Chihuahua that became his best

friend. They shared bacon for breakfast, Clyde's burgers for lunch and many hours relaxing in the recliner watching TV. They also enjoyed car rides to the store and camping adventures. Pepper was always by his side. Pepper was also allowed one last visit to the hospital to share a loving goodbye. Wallace lived his entire life in the Sault. He was a farmer that worked the family farm with his children until retirement. He was also employed by Cloverland Electric where he spent the majority of his years working at the Dafter Power Generation Plant. Wallace never wanted to move away from the Sault as that was where his family was. He had opportunities to move to warmer climates for the winter months, but could not bear to be away from his family contact. Wallace was a woodworker who enjoyed making projects and toys that were then given away as gifts to his family members. A large portion of his time in the woodshop was spent teaching others what he knew so that his knowledge could live on. Wallace also ran the neighborhood repair shop. Repairing tractors and other farm equipment for the community was also a mainstay of his craft. If you have any special memories or stories of Wallace, you may share them at the memorial or write them down and give them to the family. Visitation for Wallace will be Tuesday, January 12, 2016 from 2:00 PM until 4:00 PM with funeral services starting at 4:00 PM at C.S. Mulder Funeral Home. In Lieu of flowers, please consider donating to Hospice of the EUP.

# Tribute Wall

JN

“ We are very sorry for your families loss and our heart felt thoughts are with you. Love John and Cindy

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**John & Christine Newton** - January 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ I am so sorry to hear of the loss of Wally. My prayers and thoughts are with you and the families.

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**Denise Proulx** - January 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ Tom and Jolene and Dana DePlonty, we are so sorry for your lose of your Dad, and Papa. Will keep you all in our thoughts and prays, and knowing God is holding your family in his hands, and giving you wonderful loving memories to share with each other of your Father and Papa life. Love to you all Pat and Ivan

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**Patricia & Ivan Beal** - January 10, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ One of my first memories was being sent off on dates with he and Aunt Ruby. Whether it was on a drive or a evening at the drive-in theater, I was the tag along. During that time I was given the special name of Tilly by Uncle Wally. For the next sixty years whenever he saw me it was a big hi Tilly and get over here and give me a hug Tilly .Not sure where or why he chose Tilly but for me it always made me feel special. I learned from a very young girl watching and observing his relationship with Aunt Ruby what a husband should be. Respectful, caring, kind and loving. He was the guy mom and dad turned to for help with a any problem that arose on the farm. He was the go to guy! I think back to hot summer day of haying and he would say come on Tilly we are making ice cream. This was a treat we all loved. He would crank the mixer by hand. I had a hard time waiting for it to set up. He would be grinning in anticipation too. Simple times like that brings such joy to my heart. I am blessed he was part of my life. You will dearly be missed Uncle Wally! Your Tilly

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**Cheri Wedge** - January 10, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ My condolences to Wally's Family. I have the lawn chair which Wally donated for the Family reunion a number of years ago. I won it which truly surprised me. I do not have the lawn chair outside it is part of my living room furniture. It is comfortable and unique. As I told Wally and I will share with all of you, I love that chair and it will be with me forever. It will remain in my living room where it will be safe (from theft) besides it is the most comfortable chair I own. THANK YOU ALL. Going to miss Wally as all of you will.

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**Cyndi DePlonty** - January 10, 2016 at 12:00 AM