



## Walter Charlie Hyvarinen Sr.

October 5, 1932 - January 20, 2022

Walter Charlie Hyvarinen Sr, age 89, of Brimley MI passed away on January 20, 2022, at his home.

Walter was born on October 5, 1932, in Brimley to the late Charlie and Hilma (Ahola) Hyvarinen. He was one of twelve children.

Walter graduated from Brimley High School in 1950. Attended Michigan Tech Soo Branch. Was drafted into the US Army in January of 1954. Stationed at Fort Richie, MD. Where he worked at a receiver site for the Under Ground Pentagon until discharge in 1956. He later attended Shepard College in West Virginia from 1956-1958, received a BA in Math and Science. Taught at Dundalk High School Baltimore, Maryland. Taught Consume Science 1963 received a Master of Arts in school Administration from George Washington University, Washington D.C.

1966-1994 Walter came to Brimley as High School Principal he taught Physics, Chemistry and Finnish. Coached girls' volleyball "Walleyball" winning the Upper Peninsula State Championship in 1987.

Walter was also Superintendent for 9 years. Was Superior Township Supervisor 28 years, 1981 started being assessor for several townships for many years.

Taught Sunday school in Boonesboro, Maryland, Dafter, and Sault Canada. Director of Kids Camp for the Finnish Pentecostal Church for several years. Walter was given a commendation metal from the Mayor of the city in Sault, Ontario for saving the life of Satu Vuorinen when she drowned.

He enjoyed outdoor activities, loved any kind of fishing, trapping fox, coyote and coons. Animal control trapping in Texas from 1994-2001. Highlights were taking his father moose hunting in Canada and watching him shoot a bull moose, and watching his grandson shoot his first deer.

Walter is survived by his loving wife: Eila; Marjatta (Pennanen) Hyvarinen whom he married on December 19, 1981, two daughters: Donna J (George) Weatherly, of Brimley, MI and Kathy D (Randy) Blalock, of Sault Ste. Marie, MI.

Seven grandchildren: Jamie, Janine, Diana, Kelsi, TJ, Douglas Jr. and Holli. Nine greatgrandchildren: Samantha, Baylie, Hunter, Ezra V, Ryker, Aurora, Isabelle, Kyleigh, Ashton, and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins. And one sister-in-law: Sirkka Liisa Smith, of Sault Ste Marie, MI.

Survived by Brothers: Jacob (Jo Nell) Hyvarinen of Rochester Hills, MI, Rudy (Darlene) Hyvarinen of Dafter, MI., John (Alberta) Hyvarinen, of Owosso, MI, Robert (Jeanne) Hyvarinen, of Vermontville, and Donald (Ila) Hyvarinen of Durand, MI.

Sisters: Delores (Jimmie) Grim of Glendale, AZ, Linda (George) Hovi of Sudbury, Ontario.

Walter was preceded in death by his parents and a son: Walter C. (Roseann) Hyvarinen Jr, and grandson: Ezra (Beth) Glenn IV. sisters: Mary (Charles) Link, Sylvia Williams, Beatrice (Charles) Carter, and Brother: Wayne (Arilla) Hyvarinen.

The service will be held at C.S. Mulder Funeral Home, Sault Ste Marie, MI. Saturday January 29, 2022, viewing at 11:00 am for friends and family, and the service at 1:00 pm. Pastor Rudy Hyvarinen officiating. Burial will be held in the Spring at Hillcrest Cemetery.

# Tribute Wall

ML

“ So sorry for your loss Eila and to all the Hyvarinens. May the Lord hug you with the peace that only he can give.



Mailis Lindback - January 29, 2022 at 12:00 AM

LL

“ Thoughts and prayers to Eila and family. Walter will be missed. Walter and my dad were distant cousins, but Walter reminded me of my dad in many ways. Rest In Peace.



Lauri & Rita Luomaranta - January 29, 2022 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ I'll never forget him. He bought me a pair of basketball shoes because he knew I needed them. He was a wonderful, compassionate man. May he Rest In Peace❤️

Mary Keim Karzon - January 24, 2022 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ It's nice to learn that Mr. Hyvarinen was blessed with long life, but even with all those years I know they weren't enough for those who held him so dear to their hearts. To his beloved family, I extend my deepest condolences. May all his fine memories forever put smiles on your faces. In God's care, he is at peace. John 5:28,29; Psalms 37:29

Mrs. Ann Meier - January 23, 2022 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ So sorry to hear of Walts passing. Many fond memories of him spending time in Reading with us while in the service and singing with his sister Mary and cousin Orville. And will always be grateful for the trips when he took me along to the UP when he and his wife were living in Maryland. He sang church hymns the whole way up and back. Well over 1000 miles each way. May he rest in peace as he is reunited in Heaven with his parents and siblings.

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**Mary Ann Brunner** - January 23, 2022 at 12:00 AM

SL

“ Our Hearts are Totally Broken. Uncle Walt We love you Dearly. U are and Always Will b a Dad To My Dad. Gary Lee Leggett Sr. He Dearly love's u and is lost without you. Our Thoughts and Prayers Goes out to Aunt Eila and the rest of the Family. We are Terribly sorry for The Loss of our Beloved Uncle Walt. Love Forever and Always

Gary Lee Leggett. Sr

Sandra Leggett

Sheri Leggett

Glenn Myers. Jr

Gary Lee Leggett Jr.

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**Sheri Leggett** - January 22, 2022 at 12:00 AM

SA

“ I am forever thankful to Walter for saving my life at kids summer camp in 1989 when he found me dead in the lake. Through all these years our family has kept him close in our hearts, thoughts and prayers.

One day we will see you in heaven! Until then, you will forever be in our hearts.

Lots of love to Walters family <3 Osanotot.

Satu & family

Sirpa & Markku

Jape & Markus



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**satu** - January 22, 2022 at 12:00 AM