



## William Paul Otto

August 14, 1944 - October 28, 2019

William Paul Otto, age 75, formerly of Hessel, Michigan, died on October 28, 2019 in Petoskey, Michigan. He was born on August 14, 1944 in Detroit, Michigan, to Peter Paul and Virginia (Mancel) Otto. He graduated from Dearborn Fordson High School.

Bill lived in the Union Lake Area and married Lorelle Mock in 1970. He owned a couple car repair shops with a friend. He often took long trips out west on his Harley Davidson. He had two children before he divorced and moved to Hessel, MI in 1972. He began working for the Sault Evening News at the green sheet paper as a salesman. He worked there for 25 years before starting his logging business and purchasing the West Entrance Bar in Hessel, Michigan. He moved out to his hunting camp at Grass Lake in 2000 where he enjoyed "God's Country" as he often called it.

Bill was an outdoorsman and enjoyed hunting, fishing, golf, wood working and gardening.

Bill is survived by his son, William Joseph Otto of Clarkston MI; his daughter, Kristin Marie Helton of Ortonville, MI; his grandchild, Brandon Printz; brothers, Michael Otto of Hessel; and Curtis Otto of Wyandotte, Michigan; ex-wife and mother of his two children, Lorelle Moran; and longtime friend, Sam Fick.

The family is planning a memorial in his honor in June 2020 in Hessel, MI  
Details will be on Facebook via Billy Otto (son).

R. Galer Funeral Home in Pickford, Michigan is serving the family.  
Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.rgalerfuneralhome.com](http://www.rgalerfuneralhome.com) or  
email his son at [billscustomboatcanvas@gmail.com](mailto:billscustomboatcanvas@gmail.com) for info on memorial.

# Tribute Wall



“ *William Paul Otto*

October 05, 2023 at 09:54 AM



“ *William Paul Otto*

October 02, 2023 at 10:14 PM



“ *William Paul Otto*

September 01, 2022 at 07:49 PM



“ *So sorry I just found out our cousin Billy passed away. We four sisters, Pam, Karen, Cathy, and Renee are daughters of Aunt Dolly/Uncle Harry. Many memories and love always in our hearts. God Bless and Rest in peace . XO*



**Renee Wylemski** - April 26, 2021 at 04:20 AM



“ *Im sure gonna miss you my dear friend*

**Jenny** - November 25, 2019 at 04:54 AM

JS

“ We'll miss you every trip to Grass Lake. We'll pour one for you too.  
RIP  
-Jason Spenny

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**Jason R. Spenny** - November 21, 2019 at 08:52 AM

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“ So many memories, one of my best friends ever!! Rest In Peace Bill  
see you on the other side.

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**Marvin Chard** - November 20, 2019 at 10:03 AM