



Willis Otto Weston

August 19, 1939 - April 23, 2017

Willis “Willie” Otto Weston, age 77, of Pickford, Michigan, died at his home, surrounded by his family on April 23, 2017. Willie was born August 19, 1939 in Pickford to Kenneth Otto Weston and Hazel Arbutus (Eveleigh) Weston.

Willie grew up in Pickford attending Pickford schools. He joined the United States Army in 1963 and served during the Vietnam War, working as an aircraft engine mechanic. Upon completing his tour in the Army, he returned home and married Terrie Lea Kelly on September 18, 1965. They made their home and raised their family in Pickford. Willie worked on the International Bridge in Sault Ste. Marie, completed his high school diploma, worked for Muller Brass Co. In 1970, he began working for United States Steel at their limestone quarry in Cedarville, Michigan. Willie worked mostly in train repair for the quarry for 27 years until he retired in 1997.

Willie was active in the American Legion post #323 in Pickford, the VFW posts #7958 in Cedarville, and #9023 in Brimley, and the Raber Amvets post #79. He participated in countless Veterans functions including honor guards, parades, and flag details.

Willie was known for his broad smile and his immediate willingness to help anyone who needed his help. Willie played the fiddle, mandolin, and the banjo. He liked to hunt and fish. He also liked to play bingo, and loved to

spend time with his family and especially his grandchildren.

Willie is survived by his wife, Terrie Weston; sons, Roger Lee (Tammy Hale) Weston of Pickford, and Daniel Paterek Weston, of Sault Ste. Marie; grandchildren, Celestial, Hayley, Aaron, Robert, Angela; and great-grandchildren, Emily, Connor, and Madeline. Willie is also survived by his sister, Marion Elda (Ron) Edgerly of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan; sister-in-law, Linda Weston of Evington, Virginia; brother-in-law, Steven Kelly of Pickford; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Willie was preceded in death by his parents; brother, James W. Weston; and his brother-in-law, Albert Kelly.

A memorial service, with full military honors, will be announced later this spring.

R. Galer Funeral Home in Pickford, Michigan is serving the family.
Condolences may be sent to the family at www.rgalerfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Willis Otto Weston*

October 05, 2023 at 09:54 AM



“ *Willis Otto Weston*

October 02, 2023 at 10:14 PM



“ *Willis Otto Weston*

September 01, 2022 at 07:49 PM

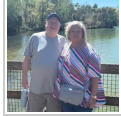


SR

“ *I didn't know Willie well. I could tell what kind of man he was. The times I usually saw him is in The Honor Guard. It was obvious how proud he was to be there! It wasn't only just big events and funerals. Some of the time it was at football games. But there was a couple of times when our Relay for Life team (Pickford Fire for a Cure) had a couple events at the school. Willie and the rest of the guys would proudly do the Honor Guard. I hope along with the veterans I'm sure, that the kids at the football games and the kids at our events learned a little more respect and grateful for the flag and the veterans that proudly carried the flag and learned what it is all about.*

Roger and Tammie and kids: I am so sorry about your father and grandfather. You should be very proud of him. He was a kind gentleman. I am writing this because I know you best. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you! May you feel at peace!

Sally Rye - May 16, 2017 at 10:37 PM



Thank you Sally. We will miss him

Roger Weston - May 18, 2017 at 10:03 PM

JJ

“ *RIP Willie.... Your classmate Judy (Harrison) Jarvie. I will miss seeing you at the Pickford museum.*

Judy Jarvie - May 01, 2017 at 07:54 AM

M&

“ *To the Weston family, We are so very sorry for your loss. Willie will be remembered for his great smile and genuine kindness. Treasure the memories RIP Willie*



Mike & Diane

M&D - April 26, 2017 at 05:05 PM

RH

“ *Sending prayers and condolences to Terrie and family. We will miss Willie at our bingos and also selling tickets for the Amvets at the Chippewa County Fair. Willie was a great man. Ron and Bev Harwood*

Ron and Bev Harwood - April 25, 2017 at 01:43 PM

 Debbie Kelly

“ *Debbie Kelly lit a candle in memory of Willis Otto Weston*



Debbie Kelly - April 25, 2017 at 10:30 AM



Debbie Kelly

Put a candle in the window I am gone home

Debbie Kelly - April 25, 2017 at 10:31 AM



Debbie Kelly

“ *Debbie Kelly sent a virtual gift in memory of Willis Otto Weston*



Debbie Kelly - April 25, 2017 at 10:24 AM

JS

“ *So sorry for your loss Terrie, Dan, Roger and families. Bill was a very kind and caring man. I enjoyed our visits at the grandkids birthdays and other functions. He will be missed very much 😞😞 Thinking of you all. ((Hugs)) and prayers 🙏*

Jeanie Soper - April 24, 2017 at 08:33 PM

JB

“ *Although I was never around Bill very much due to our distant abodes. I remember him as a kind, gentle and likeable person. I will always remember him that way. My condolences go out to the family.*

John Bright - April 24, 2017 at 03:35 PM

PS

“ *Uncle Willie loved his nieces to pieces, myself included. His memory lives on in our hearts. Wishing peace for the Terrie, Roger, Dan and Tammy and all his VFW buddies who will be particularly heartbroken over this loss.*

Patricia (Edgerly) Smith - April 24, 2017 at 02:09 PM



Lisa
Cline

“ *Nobody could ask for a better uncle than my Uncle Willie. He will be sincerely missed and was loved by so many people! Praying for the family as we all go through this most difficult time!* ”

Lisa Cline - April 24, 2017 at 11:11 AM