

## Name: John "Big John" Cieslinski Age: 73 Hometown: Ubly, MI Funeral Date: December 18, 2020 Date of Birth: February 26, 1947 Date of Passing: December 13, 2020 Funeral Home: Kaufman Funeral Home

## **Funeral Information**

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Friday, December 18, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. at Good Shepherd Parish – St. Columbkille Catholic Church. Officiating will be Fr. Nate Harburg. Burial will be in the church cemetery. Visitation will be Thursday, December 17, 2020 from 1:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Kaufman Funeral Home in Bad Axe or Friday at the church from 10:00 a.m. until service time at 11:00 a.m. Please visit www.kaufmanfuneralhome.com if you wish to offer condolences to the family.

## Family of the Deceased

John is survived by two sons Gary (Marie) Cieslinski of Elkton and Joseph (Jennifer) Cieslinski of Ishpeming, one daughter Amy (Tim) Lightfoot of Bentley; six grandchildren Chantel Cieslinski of Elkton, Matt (Cassandra) Cieslinski of Ohio, Cheyanne Cieslinski of Ohio, Ansley, Hannah and Caiden Cieslinski all of Ishpeming, one great-grandchild and two grand-dogs Turner and Duke. John is also survived by his brother, Michael (Melinda) Cieslinski of L'Anse and sister, Terry (Mary) Vandemark of Caro as well as nieces and nephews and his furry companion, Abby.

## **Biography**

The world lost a great man as our father John "Big John" Cieslinski, age 73 of Ubly passed away at Bayfield Assisted Living in Bay City on Sunday December 13, 2020. John was born in Yale, MI on February 26, 1947 to the late Anthony and Marcella (Sofka) Cieslinski. On May 8, 1976 John married the love of his life, the late Glennda (Coates) Cieslinski. John spent 378 days away from his beloved wife before he was called home. John and his beloved owned Pine View Farms in Ubly for many years. From sun up to sun down, he was in the field or in the barns. John raised dairy cattle until the dairy buy out came through in 1989. During the years of raising dairy cows, John received numerous awards from MMPA for milk production volumes. John also received top yield awards from Pioneer seed over the years. In 1990, the gears changed to beef cattle. Cash crops were raised on the family farm as well. In 1999, arthritis took it's toll on John and he rented out the farm and sold the cattle. John served on numerous boards and committees over the years. He was a trustee for Sheridan Township for numerous years. He served on the ambulance board for Central Huron Ambulance Service just to name a couple. John is an active member of St. Columbkille Church. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus where he has earned the status of 4th degree Knight. John and Glennda loved to travel. Their last vacation was a long anticipated Alaskan cruise. They wintered in Lakeland, Florida yearly. They didn't care where the vacation was as long as they were together.