



Name: Leslie Emil Burkhard

Age: 89

Hometown: Bradenton, FL, Formerly of Port Hope

Funeral Date: Not Available

Date of Birth: July 22, 1931

Date of Passing: March 24, 2021

Funeral Home: [Covell Funeral Home](#)

Funeral Information

A memorial Service will be planned for a later date. Interment will be in Rock Falls Cemetery. Memorial Gifts may be directed to the family. Information supplied by the Covell Funeral Home & Cremation Services of Bradenton, FL

Family of the Deceased

He is survived by his children, Garry Burkhard and fiancé, Nancy Marks, Diane (Niel) Nielson, and Randy (Barbara) Burkhard; Grandchildren Christopher (Amy) O'Neil, Corinne (Jason) Ruthig, Adam (Abe) Burkhard-Champagne, Justin (Danielle) Nielson, Aaron (Nicki) Burkhard; Great Grandchildren Brooke, Landon, Payton, Paige, Summer, Grayson, and Kate. Sisters, Emily Smith and Beverly Forstner. Brothers, Alex Burkhard Jr. Brother-in-Law Erwin (Roble) Paschke, Sister-In-Laws. Dorothy H. Burkhard, Grace Burkhard, Angeline Burkhard and Betty Lou Burkhard. Several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his sister, Elaine LaBelle; Brothers, Infant Brother Carl, Roland Burkhard, Edwin

Burkhard, Harold Burkhard, Harley Burkhard, Delbert Burkhard and Robert Burkhard. Brother-in-Laws Wilbert Paschke, Jim Smith and Glenn Forstner; Sister-In-Laws Esther Burkhard, Grace M. Burkhard, Donna Burkhard, Maxine Paschke and Bernice Burkhard.

Biography

Leslie Emil Burkhard, Age 89 of Bradenton, FL, Formerly of Port Hope, passed away of chronic health issues on March 24th. He was born on July 22nd, 1931, to the late Alexander and Edith (Gerstenschlager) Burkhard Sr., Leslie and Dorothy Ida Margaret (Dottie) Paschke were married at St. John's Lutheran Church in Port Hope on June 30th, 1951. She preceded him in death of February 8th, 2019.

Leslie was a Merchant Marine on the Great Lakes, sailing on the A.H. Ferbert, worked at the Huron Milling Company, Hercules (retiring in 1981), and worked at Dawes Fermentation, G.D. Searles, and Nutrasweet. He also continued to farm until 1984 and retired from NutraSweet in 1995. Leslie and Dottie wintered in Palmetto, FL, at the Palmetto Mobile Home Club since 1996. Leslie enjoyed family, friends, hunting, card-playing, and warm FL Winters. He also loved to watch action-packed Westerns on TV with Gunsmoke as his favorite show.