

## Forrest N. Williams

(March 5, 1952 - July 17, 2013)

Forrest Nicolas Williams, 61, of Caseville and Port Austin, died suddenly Wednesday, July 17, 2013 at Scheurer Hospital.

Forrest was born March 5, 1952 in Detroit to Dorothy (Suchecki) and the late Nicolas Williams. He grew up in Grosse Pointe and graduated from Grosse Pointe North High School. He received a bachelor's degree in Hotel/Retail Management from Michigan State University. He married Linda Reinke Babcock on May 17, 2004 in Port Austin.



In 1978 Forrest became the co-owner of the Bay Port Fish Company and moved to Caseville. Since that time he has been extremely active in the community. In Bay Port he was actively involved with the Bay Port Fish Sandwich Festival. He was a member of the Caseville United Methodist Church, Port Austin Conservation Club, Bird Creek and Century Oaks Golf Courses, and a past president of the Michigan Fish Producers Association. He served the community of Caseville in countless ways, but perhaps most notably through his involvement in village and city government. In the early 1990's he served on Village Council before becoming Village President. In 2002 he became the Village of Caseville office administrator and when Caseville became a city he was made the first City Clerk of the City of Caseville, a position he held at the time of his death.

He is survived by his wife Linda of Port Austin; children Amy Babcock Frank of Port Austin, Tyler (Julie) of Caseville, Casey (Erika Segal) of Seattle, Ryan Babcock of Iron Mountain, Drew (Missy Engler) of Ann Arbor and Mitchell (Jessica) of Duluth; grandchildren Kyle, Alexa, Mason, Brandon, Tanton and Neil; mother Dorothy Williams of Naples, Florida; siblings Claire (Jordan Alpert) Williams of Maryland, Tod (Connie) Williams of Bay Port, Dorn (Denise) Williams of Ann Arbor and Nicolas (Bonnie) Williams of Ohio; and mother-in-law Amy Reinke of Port Austin.

A memorial service will be at 1:00 pm Saturday, July 20th at the Caseville United Methodist Church with Rev. Linda Fuller officiating. Visitation will be 4 to 8 pm Friday at the Champagne Funeral Chapel of Caseville.

Memorials in his memory may be made to Caseville United Methodist Church or Helping Hands.