

Name: William Clayton Kauffman

Age: 78

Hometown: Pigeon, MI **Funeral Date:** April 23, 2019

Date of Birth: December 26, 1940

Date of Passing: April 16, 2019

Funeral Home: Champagne Funeral Chapel

Funeral Information

Funeral services will be 11:00am Tuesday, April 23rd at Pigeon River Mennonite Church with Rev. Dave Maurer officiating. Burial will be at 10:00am Tuesday at the church cemetery. Visitation will be 2-8 Monday at Pigeon River Mennonite Church. Champagne Funeral Chapel is handling the services. Memorials may be made to the Pigeon River Mennonite Church.

Family of the Deceased

Clayt is survived by his children Terry Kauffman of Wonder Lake, Illinois and Tricia Fritz of Port Austin; grandchildren Dominic and Colton Rosenthal and Camryn Fritz; brothers Carl (Dorene) of Alabama and Lynn (Susie) of Indiana; brothers-in-law Lowell (Sue) Miller of Tennessee and Lee (Dorty) Miller of Indiana; and special friend Caroline Morrison of Pigeon. He was preceded in death by brother John Kauffman.

Biography

William Clayton Kauffman, 78, of Pigeon died Tuesday, April 16, 2019 at Covenant Hospital in Saginaw. Clayton was born December 26, 1940 in Kalona, Iowa to the late William J. and Alta (Gingrich) Kauffman. He

graduated from Pigeon High School in 1958. He married Maxine Fay Miller April 21, 1962 in Midland; she preceded him in death October 13, 2016. Clayt was a fun loving multi talented man who made friends with all from his first hello and handshake. He was not happy until he made everyone smile and laugh. He loved any flavor of ice cream, his bets were made in banana splits. Clayt worked for Shetler Plumbing and Heating, Pigeon Lumber, and Scheurer Hospital where he retired from the maintenance department. Adding to the list of his talents was his love of auctioneering. He worked for Albrecht Auction Service and Great Lakes Auction Service with his friends Herb Albrecht and Dale Wertz. There were many laughs and adventures. He dearly loved his grandsons and attended any and every event. He especially enjoyed watching them play football and baseball. When Clayt was younger he played fast pitch softball and was widely feared for his pitching abilities, he could strike anyone out. He was also an avid skater and hockey player. But most of all he was an extremely devoted husband, father and grandfather who went above and beyond any calling especially for his wife of 54 years. If there were to be a picture in the dictionary or even Bible of a husband it would have been his with two huge gold stars.