



Name: William Joseph Jimkoski

Age: 78

Hometown: Port Austin

Funeral Date: November 26, 2024

Date of Birth: December 01, 1945

Date of Passing: November 18, 2024

Funeral Home: **Knoblock Funeral Home**

Funeral Information

Cremation has taken place. A Funeral Mass will be held Tuesday, November 26, 2024, at 11am at St. Michael's Catholic Church of the Annunciation of the Lord Parish in Port Austin. Military Honors will follow the conclusion of the Mass. There will be visitation on Monday from 2pm-7pm at the Knoblock Funeral Home in Kinde and on Tuesday from 10am until the time of service at the church. Memorials may be made to McLaren Hospice of Bay City or Ducks Unlimited in Bill's name.

Family of the Deceased

Bill was a good husband and father, but his favorite role was grandpa. He is survived by his wife, of 53 years, Marsha and their son Keith (Patricia), and granddaughter Lucy all of Port Austin Township. He is also survived by his siblings; Geraldine Arnold, Robert (Merrily) Jimkoski, George (special friend Diane Myers) Jimkoski, Judy (William) Harper, and James (Dawn) Jimkoski; in-laws Marion Chaplinski, Gail (Nelson) Young, Cheryl Jeffrey, and Robert Pitcher and many nieces and nephews. Bill was preceded in death by his parents; his father &

mother-in-law, Roy and Alma Pitcher; in-laws Alonzo Arnold, Nancy Jimkoski, Charlene Jimkoski, Eugene Chaplinski, and Marv Jeffrey.

Biography

William Joseph Jimkoski, lifelong resident of Port Austin Township, joined our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, on November 18th, surrounded by his family, after a long and courageous battle. Bill was born December 1, 1945, in Port Austin Township, at his family home to the late John and Jennie (O'Neal) Jimkoski. He graduated from Port Austin High School in 1963 entering the workforce after graduation. Bill was a proud Vietnam Veteran having served in the U.S. Army for 2 years from 1967 to 1969 serving in the 1st Battalion, 77th Armor, 5th Infantry Division (mechanized) bravely fighting side by side with his military brothers. When he returned home, he met and fell in love with Marsha Pitcher and they were united in marriage on April 24, 1971, at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Port Austin where they have continued their faith filled lives together. Bill was a 'jack of all trades, master of none' although his family and friends will argue he mastered all he tried to do. He had a special talent of creating anything from nothing. He spent his working career at H&J Industries, R. Hogan Construction, Gene Clancy & Sons Excavating, North Huron Metal Craft, and several other local companies learning and honing his skills in carpentry, heavy equipment operating and repairing any type of motor or mechanical function. Bill was an avid hunter and fisherman with a special passion for duck hunting and could always be found outdoors. During the summer months Bill would usually be riding his motorcycle anywhere he traveled and could be recognized by the flags he proudly flew on the back. Bill loved everything about being part of the Grindstone City community and could be found visiting the harbor or a local establishment for a noontime iced tea.