



Charles J. Verbeke Jr.

April 25, 1934 - February 19, 2018

VERBEKE Jr., Charles J. "Bud", age 83, died February 19, 2018. Beloved husband of 60 years to Mary (nee Dalla Costa) Verbeke. Loving father of Deb Lawniczak, Charles J. III and Pamela Verbeke, John Verbeke, Joseph Verbeke, Michael and Louise Verbeke, Thomas Verbeke, Timothy and Zakia Verbeke, Dawn and Craig Allard, Jason Verbeke, Chong Suk Rose, and Shawna Ricci. Proud grandfather of David, Stacie, Laura, Charles J. IV, Megan, Jacob, Joseph, Torii, Angela, Aliyah, Adam, and Craig Jr. Great grandfather to five: Chloe, Arianna, Amya, Kaitlyn, and Joseph. He is also survived by siblings: Judy and Larry Bierl, Barbara Ollila, Jerry Verbeke, and Sandra Verbeke. Preceded in death by his parents: Charles J. Sr. and Zoretta F. (nee Wastie) Verbeke; brother-in-law: Ronald Ollila and sister-in-law: Pat Verbeke. Charles graduated from Eastland High School, served in the United States Army during the Korean War, and for many years was a Boy Scout leader. His family will receive friends Thursday, February 22nd from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. with a prayer service at 7:00 p.m. and on Friday, February 23rd his Funeral Service will be held at 10:30 a.m. at the Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Home, 8459 Hall Road (3 blocks east of Van Dyke on the north side of Hall Road), Utica. Burial will take place on Monday (February 26th) at 10:30am at Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly, Michigan. Donations appreciated to: Disabled American Veterans, 47326 Dequindre Road, Shelby Township, MI 48317. Please share a memory with his family at: www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com

Cemetery Details

Great Lakes National Cemetery

4200 Belford Road
Holly Township, MI 48442

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **22**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wm Sullivan and Son Funeral Home
8459 Hall Road
Utica, MI 48317
(586) 731-2411
utica@sullivanfh.com
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Scripture Service

FEB **22**. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

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Burial

FEB **26**. 10:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

DL

“ I not sure how old I was I think the twins were born. But one Halloween my dad made a jack o lantern pumpkin that fit over his head. He took some candy and little toys and went to Mt Clemens General and handed kids candy or toys wearing that pumpkin. He told the story and spoke of a little girl who said she was burnt and ugly. My dad said that he was uglier that's why he had to wear the pumpkin.

Deb Lawniczak - March 08, 2018 at 07:51 PM

CS

“ He was the life of the party.
He was more than humble.
He loved children, duh obviously!
He was a leader.
He was not arrogant.
He would give you the shirt off his back.
He could build anything, a garage, a house, even a canoe!
He did not brag.
He made you feel important.
He said the right things even when he teased you.
He married a woman with the same values.
He instilled his qualities in his children and grandchildren.
He will live forever through them.

Thank you God, Aunt Mary and cousins for sharing him.

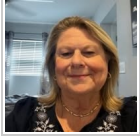
Cindy Shermetaro

cindy shermetaro - February 23, 2018 at 03:54 PM

MV

Beautiful Cindy

Mike verbeke - February 23, 2018 at 04:46 PM



“ Patricia Humpage purchased the Garden of Serenity Bouquet for the family of Charles J. Verbeke Jr..

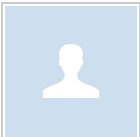


Patricia Humpage - February 22, 2018 at 09:46 AM



“ "Mr.Bud" as you are so fondly remembered by the "Miller Clan" My Thoughts and Prayers are with Mary, "Mrs. Bud" and Family. will always have a Special Place in my Heart for you! Love and Miss You. Patty "Miller" Humpage.

Patricia Humpage - February 22, 2018 at 09:25 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Charles J. Verbeke Jr..



February 21, 2018 at 11:18 PM

CA

“ *Its tough to explain the effect he has had on my life in a short paragraph, but i will try. Meeting him 22 years ago it didn't take me long to realize how significant he was to so many people. He always treated me like one of his own and i will never forget that. When it is all said and done there are so many great qualities he carried with him every day of his life, but the one that stands out to me the most was his ability to love, and how true it was. A lot of people struggle to find there way, but if you had the honors of knowing this great man then you were blessed with the blueprint he left behind for all of us to follow.*

FATHER! You have always been there for me, always supported me, and you gave me the love and guidance that i needed so much. You will always be in my heart and memories. So please rest in peace, you deserve it.

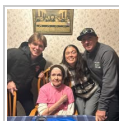
thank you for showing me what truly matters in life! your SON Craig.

Craig Allard - February 21, 2018 at 02:35 PM

MV

As I mentioned to you. Wow Craig, this is brilliant. Amazing how something flows when it comes from the heart.

Mike verbeke - February 24, 2018 at 02:04 AM



Wow Craig... I have read this about 3 times now and every time I read it just gets more beautiful. He loved you so much and you 2 shared an amazing bond. I always said that my dad and I got closer because of you. I love you babe!!

Dawn Allard - March 09, 2018 at 05:41 PM

VE

“ Jason, I am truly so sorry for your loss. It is my hope that in the days to come you remember all the good times you shared with your father and the love he gave you throughout the years. Sending prayers and hugs to you and your family during this difficult time. Vanessa Eanes, Salisbury, NC



Vanessa Eanes - February 21, 2018 at 09:19 AM

SV

“ What a wonderful opportunity to write about my Brother Bud. when he came home from his service in Germany, he brought his uniform of course,



I was around age 7 or 8 (don't quote exactness of that) but that era, I was still a "kid", still playing "Army" with a next door neighbor "kid". that next door neighbor was a male kid... we were discussing, Who would be the captain.

Well My Brother Bud, walked over and was listening to us do this Army dialog ... Bud was taking it in with this serious "look" but light-hearted Solution He went back in the house for a minute and carried out His "Army HAT" and put it squarely on MY head

I guess you can tell who became the "Captain".... So my Brother ~ my Hero ... he could solve this most serious dilemma <3 LOVE this Wonderful Man ! * *

Sandra Verbeke - February 21, 2018 at 12:23 AM

GP

“ We had a "coffee break" to honor you, uncle Horace! We'll love you forever!

Gary and Peg - February 21, 2018 at 12:06 AM

SC

“ I've been thinking of all my child hood memories with this man, and there are so many, too many to pick one to share. I haven't seen him in too many years, life seems to fly by and we always think there will be a tomorrow, to do what we should do then, I am sorry I missed so many years with my uncle, but nothing will ever take away my childhood memories with this wonderful, one of a kind man. Will cherish you forever Uncle Bud.

Stephanie Verbeke Copeland - February 20, 2018 at 08:38 PM

RB

“ I never had the honor of meeting or knowing Mr. Charles Verbeke Jr. But through my encounters with his son Jason Verbeke i get the impression that he was a great man as well as a great father. I pray that God will send down a mighty band of angels to minister to all of you, and that God will fill the void in your hearts as you go forward with love, comfort, and strength. On behalf of the East Spencer Fire Department and Providence Baptist Church, we send our love, prayers and deepest sympathy.

Rev. Jason Brown, East Spencer Police/Fire Chaplain.

Rev. Jason Brown - February 20, 2018 at 06:30 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Charles J. Verbeke Jr..*



February 20, 2018 at 04:12 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Charles J. Verbeke Jr..*



February 20, 2018 at 01:58 PM



“ *Extending our heartfelt and sincere sympathy to the entire family during this difficult time. May God wrap each of you in his loving arms and provide comfort and strength to get through the difficult days, weeks, months and years ahead. The beautiful memories you have are yours forever. Sending hugs and prayers.*

Mike and Sharon DeCock - February 20, 2018 at 01:38 PM



“ *Dear Chuck, Pam and family: Your family is in our prayers during this most difficult time. Hold onto the memories and Dad will always be with you all.*

Steve & Sharon Danko

Sharon Danko - February 20, 2018 at 10:43 AM

NI

“ *ND Industries purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Charles J. Verbeke Jr..*



ND Industries - February 20, 2018 at 10:10 AM