



Gordon Yerke

April 4, 1946 - December 27, 2020

Gordon Edward Yerke went home to Our Lord and Savior on December 27, 2020 at Henry Ford Hospital in Clinton Township surrounded by his family. Gordon was born on April 4, 1946 in Detroit, MI to Clifford Yerke and Eleanora (Russell) Yerke. A brother of Allen (Julia) Yerke and Russell Yerke. He graduated from Dondero High School in Royal Oak in 1964 and married the love of his life Sandra (Schmid) Yerke on June 28, 1969. They enjoyed 50 loving years together before she passed away on September 15, 2019. They had three children; Heather (Greg) Holmes, Michael (Haven) Yerke and Melody (Donald) Setzler and 7 grandchildren; Brianna, Claire, Julien, Michaela, Karl, Eleanora and Gordon. He was a loving and devoted father and grandfather and would always make time to attend his children's and grandchildren's events, along with helping to put his three children through college with his hardworking spirit. Gordon worked at GM Truck and Bus for 10 years and then American Axel where he retired in 2009. He attended Lawrence Tech and graduated from Baker College with a degree in Industrial Management. He was a lifelong resident of Royal Oak where you could find him outside working in the yard and attending to his roses. He was a member of Local 98 and UAW and a member of the NRA. Gordon was a devout and faithful Christen and attended Woodlawn Church of God which is now Woodside Bible Church. Gordon loved the outdoors and sports. He enjoyed taking his boat out to go fishing, hitting up the gun range, attending tractor pulls, boat and car races and cheering on the Detroit Lions and MSU. Gordon

was preceded in death by his parents, beloved wife and brother Russell Yerke. Memorial contributions can be made to Boys Town or St. Joseph's Indian School. A socially distanced visitation will be held from 10:00 AM until time of service 1:00 PM on Wednesday, December 30, 2020 at the Sullivan & Son funeral home, 705 W. Eleven Mile Road, Royal Oak, Michigan, 48067

**Due to COVID-19, and in accordance with CDC recommendations and the Governor's Executive Orders, please be advised that the funeral home is limited to 25 people in the visitation/service room at any given time. Also, masks are required to enter the building. The funeral will be webcast and the livestream will begin a few minutes prior to the funeral. Share a memory at www.SullivanFuneralDirectors.com.

Cemetery Details

White Chapel Memorial Cemetery

621 W. Long Lake Road
Troy, MI 48098

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 30. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Directors-Royal Oak
705 W. Eleven Mile Road
Royal Oak, MI 48067
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Funeral Service

DEC 30. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Graveside Service

DEC **30** (ET)

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Tribute Wall



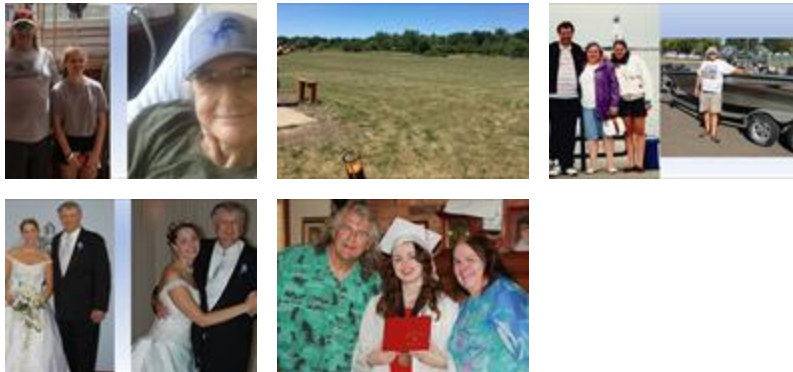
“ *Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Directors created a Webcast in memory of Gordon Yerke*



Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Directors - December 30, 2020 at 11:42 AM

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“ *57 files added to the album Gordon*



Msetzler2307 - December 29, 2020 at 09:57 PM

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“ Gordon always greeted us with a smile and a hug. Holiday dinners were warm and happy and will be forever missed. Barbecues saw him at the grill denigrating burgers and endorsing his favorite sausage. His pride in his family was obvious and infectious. He could talk on any subject, was kind and honest. His texts and calls over these last long months have made isolation almost fun. He is now with his beloved Sandy but their compassion and generosity can still be seen in his family. We are better for having known him.
Robin and Ben Cloetens

Ben and Robin - December 29, 2020 at 08:12 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray* was purchased for the family of Gordon Yerke.



December 28, 2020 at 09:49 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray* was purchased for the family of Gordon Yerke.



December 28, 2020 at 09:38 PM

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“ Our dear friend & neighbor has now transitioned to Heaven with his Beautiful Wife & Soulmate. Although, you will be so greatly missed, we know that you are now peaceful with Sandy. Her “Tweety”, as she called him, is once again shining as they are now together Forever. Love to the both of these two wonderful souls. God Bless the entire Yerke Family. Love & Prayers, From Marty, & Diane Ardito, & Family.

Diane Ardito - December 28, 2020 at 02:16 PM

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Thank you Diane . Mom and Dad loved you guys a lot . I think mom was calling “Tweety” come on home to Heaven too. ❤️

Heather Holmes - December 29, 2020 at 01:42 PM

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YES!❤️❤️❤️

Diane Ardito - December 29, 2020 at 03:10 PM