



## Henry G. Kunkel

July 7, 1939 - August 21, 2024

Henry G. Kunkel, beloved husband, father, grandfather, and brother, passed away peacefully, leaving behind a legacy of love, laughter and cherished memories. He was the devoted husband of Phyllis for 61 beautiful years, together building a family rooted in love and care. Henry was the proud and loving father of Kari (Kevin Harang) Wendorf and Chris (Laurie) Kunkel. His heart swelled with pride for his grandchildren, Katie, Michael, Ava and Adyson, all of whom he adored. Dear brother of Carolyn Deneweth and Ron Kunkel and his late sister, Maryann Cummings. Henry's zest for life was contagious. He had a great sense of humor and an infectious laugh that could light up any room. He was passionate about blues music and loved to dance, filling many evenings with joy and rhythm. In his spare time, Henry enjoyed the simple pleasures in life, like cutting the grass and exploring the beauty of Northern Michigan, where he often visited with his family. Outside of his family, Henry found his greatest joy on the water. Boating was his favorite pastime and the peacefulness of being on the water brought him a sense of contentment like nothing else. An avid swimmer, he was always drawn to the water, whether it was lakes, rivers or the ocean. Traveling was another of Henry's passions, especially to Disney, where he created countless memories with his family. Henry had a long and fulfilling career with Ford Motor Company, where he worked for over 41 years before retiring. His dedication and work ethic left a lasting impact on his colleagues and the company. Above all, Henry was a loving father figure and an extraordinary grandfather. His

family was his pride and joy and he cherished every moment spent with them. His warmth, humor and unwavering love will be missed by all who knew him. Henry's life was a testament to love, laughter and adventure. He leaves behind a family who will carry forward his spirit and memory in their hearts forever. A visitation will take place at the Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Home 8459 Hall Rd. (3Blks E. of Van Dyke) Utica, on Wednesday (August 28th) from 2pm - 8pm, with a prayer service at 6pm. Funeral Mass will take place on Thursday (August 29th) at St. Kieran Catholic Church 53600 Mound Rd. Shelby Twp., he will lie in state at 9:30am until the time of Mass at 10am. Internment will be at Resurrection Cemetery immediately following Mass. Please share a memory of Henry on the Tribute Wall.

# Cemetery Details

## Resurrection Cemetery

18201 Clinton River Road  
Clinton Township, MI 48038

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**AUG 28.** 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  
<https://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com/>

## Prayer Service

**AUG 28.** 6:00 PM (ET)

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8459 Hall Road  
Utica, MI 48317  
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## Funeral Mass

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AUG **29**. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Kieran Catholic Church  
53600 Mound Road  
Shelby Township, MI 48316

# Tribute Wall



“ *Sending Prayers buddy.*

Vito - August 29, 2024 at 03:31 PM



“ *"Death leaves a heartache  
no one can heal;  
Love leaves a memory no  
one can steal."*

*My thoughts and prayers are with you!*

*Joan Cooney*

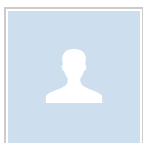
Joan Cooney - August 27, 2024 at 04:04 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of  
Henry G. Kunkel.*



August 27, 2024 at 10:44 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of  
Henry G. Kunkel.*



August 27, 2024 at 06:52 AM

DG

“ Dave and Frankie Groce planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Henry G. Kunkel.

Dave and Frankie Groce - August 26, 2024 at 08:16 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Henry G. Kunkel.



August 26, 2024 at 08:16 PM

SM

“ Sandra M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Henry G. Kunkel.

Sandra M. - August 26, 2024 at 07:00 PM

CI

“ Combined/Agency Development & Initi. Team purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Henry G. Kunkel.



Combined/Agency Development & Initi. Team - August 26, 2024 at 12:06 PM

CI

“ Combined/Agency Development & Initi. Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Henry G. Kunkel.

Combined/Agency Development & Initi. Team - August 26, 2024 at 12:06 PM

HA

“ *My love and prayers for the family*

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**Harmandeep** - August 26, 2024 at 10:50 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Henry G. Kunkel.*



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August 25, 2024 at 04:46 AM

KE

“ *Ken planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Henry G. Kunkel.*

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**Ken** - August 25, 2024 at 04:46 AM



“ *Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of Henry G. Kunkel.*



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August 23, 2024 at 05:43 PM