



Jesse Tenney

May 6, 1930 - September 9, 2019

Jess Tenney, age 89, of Hazel Park, passed away at his home on September 9, 2019. He was born on May 6, 1930 to Jesse and Tilda Tenney in Crawford, WV. He met Elsa Rocholl in Detroit and they were married on December 31, 1954.

Beloved husband to Elsa. Loving father to his children Sharon (Dave) Millard, Ralph (Kathy) Tenney, Roger (Bonita) Tenney and Richard Tenney. Proud "Grandpa" of Joy (Phil) Gregg, Ruth (Stephen) Baluch, Emily (RJ) Pasco, Lauren (James) Olekszyk, Jacob (Heather) Tenney, Charles Tenney, Joshua (Nicole) Tenney, Nick (Laura) Tenney, Leah (Marvin) Robinson and 13 great grandchildren. Dear brother of Franklin (Betty Jo) Tenney and the late Athena Wright, Percy Tenney, Geraldine Wright, Macil Tenney, Iline Fretenborough, Lavaun Sparks, and Laveur Tenney.

Jess served his country as a Corporal in the U.S. Army during the Korean War and had a career as an electrical technician for DeVlieg Machine Company until he retired as a member of the 25 Year Club. A man of faith, he was a member of the Ferndale Free Methodist Church and often volunteered his time and talents there doing work around the church. He was known to be a handyman but will be best remembered as a "neighborhood family man". In previous years he enjoyed being on his land in Newaygo, MI.

Visitation will be Thursday, September 12, 2019 from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 705 W. 11 Mile Rd. (4 blks E. of Woodward), Royal Oak. Funeral to be held on Saturday, September 14, 2019 with in-state visitation at 10:30 a.m. until the time of service at 11 a.m. at Ferndale Free Methodist Church, 1950 Woodward Heights, Ferndale.

Memorial contributions to Multiple Myeloma Research Foundation are appreciated. Share your memories at www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com.

Cemetery Details

Great Lakes National Cemetery

4200 Belford Road
Holly Township, MI 48442

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **12.** 3:00 PM - 7:00 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

SEP **14.** 11:00 AM (ET)

Ferndale Free Methodist Church
1950 Woodward Heights
Ferndale, MI 48220

Tribute Wall



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Jesse Tenney.* ”



September 13, 2019 at 09:07 AM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Jesse Tenney.* ”



September 12, 2019 at 09:24 AM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Jesse Tenney.* ”



September 12, 2019 at 07:26 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Jesse Tenney.* ”



September 11, 2019 at 06:17 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jesse Tenney.*



September 11, 2019 at 02:39 PM



“ *Summer's Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jesse Tenney.*



September 11, 2019 at 11:54 AM