



## Joseph Leitch

October 15, 1934 - June 12, 2023

Joseph William Leitch, age 88, passed away peacefully in his home the morning of June 12, 2023, surrounded by his family.

Joe was a devoted husband and loving father. He was kind to all he met. He was married to Maureen for 47 years although they were partners for 60 years. Joe is survived by his wife, Maureen, and children Scott (Mary) Wade, Mark (Linda) Wade, Todd (Amy) Wade and Lisa Wade Davis and grandchildren Mallory, Jacob, Anne (Nathan), Jane, Chelsey (Alex), Elyse, Jack, and John and great grandchild Gavin. Joe is predeceased by his granddaughter, Meghan.

Joe was born in Royal Oak, Michigan and was a lifelong resident of Royal Oak. Joe graduated from Dondero High School and then went on to serve his country in the US Army. Joe went on to work for the United States Postal Service for 37 years. He serviced the downtown Royal Oak business district most of his career. He would greet his customers with a smile and an energetic, "How do!"

Joe was very handy with electronics. Upon retiring from the post office, he took a temporary 3-week position with Royal Radio in downtown Royal Oak. That 3-week position lasted 17 years.

Whenever possible, he spent time at his cabin in Atlanta, Michigan. He loved to be outdoors and to hunt. He also loved the cherished family dog, Ralph. Joe was a hockey and baseball fan. He faithfully cheered on the Detroit Red Wings and Detroit Tigers.

Joe loved fast cars, living so close to Woodward Avenue and he never missed a Woodward Dream Cruise.

The memorial service will be private. His final resting place will be in Northern Michigan. Joe was a lifelong supporter of St. Jude Children's Hospital. Please consider donations to St. Jude's Hospital in lieu of flowers.

# Tribute Wall

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“ I met Joe when I became a member of the Royal Oak Elks Lodge in 1979. The two words that best describe Joe are "Great Guy". We shared many good times back in the day. RIP my friend.

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**Bob Stewart** - June 16, 2023 at 11:17 AM

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“ I was so lucky to get to know Joe after he retired from the Post Office. He was an active member of the NALC and that's how I got to know him. We worked together on the election committee and would help out with the refreshment committee. Joe delivered the downtown Royal Oak route and I started at the Post Office after Joe retired. I loved subbing on his old route. Joe was such a great guy and I'm so glad that I got to know him. He'll me missed.

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**Terri Russell** - June 15, 2023 at 04:59 PM

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“ Condolences to Mo and the family. Many good memories of hunting up north and summers at the cottage on Lake Huron.

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**Tom Tallian** - June 15, 2023 at 01:59 PM

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“ I remember being up at Mark and Linda's Casa and I'm not sure why but it was Just Joe and I and we were Watching T.V. together . Jesse Stone .After That I was hooked .Joe made me copies of every season .Jack and I both watch them still .💜

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**Amy Wade** - June 14, 2023 at 08:38 PM