



Raymond Eugene Hepner

January 6, 1956 - May 23, 2022

Raymond Eugene Hepner, a resident of Berkley, passed away Monday, May 23, 2022 at the age of 66. A son of Henry and Grace (Maurer), he was born in Highland Park, MI. Ray grew up in Utica with his loving parents and four brothers where he enjoyed working on cars and riding dirt bikes as a teen. He met his wife, Nancy, while managing a McDonald's or "in grease" as they loved to say. They were married in May of 1979 and bought a house in Berkley. Soon after, they had three children whom they loved more than anything. Ray was always present at his kids sporting events, dance recitals, cub scout events, etc. and loved seeing the country on the two vacations he took his family on every summer, in their pop-up camper. As time went on, he managed at Murray's Discount Auto for many years and then made a move to Orkin Pest Control, and recently retired.

Ray loved his family more than anything but second to that, he loved cars. (A Ford man at heart.) He owned two classic cars that he loved maintaining and showing off. He loved collecting antiques and could often be found at the Royal Oak Flea Market on Sunday mornings. That is, if he wasn't up north at his cottage on the river, which was his heaven on earth. Ray truly enjoyed life. He was a hard worker, rarely missing a day of work, but never complained. He would do anything for anyone. He loved watching movies and having a good laugh. He loved decorating his house for Christmas and dressing up for Halloween.

Ray's proudest accomplishment was being a grandpa. He was always beaming from ear to ear in his grandchildren's presence and he bragged about them to EVERYONE. He was so appreciative of everything he had, including some truly wonderful friends. His passing has left a hole in the hearts of many. He will be missed beyond words.

Beloved husband of Nancy Hepner. Loving father of Amy (Patrick), Eric, and Scott (Brittany.) Doting grandpa of Nolan, Olivia, Jack and Stella. Dear brother of Glenn (Patricia), Henry (Sandy), Robert (Molly), and Walt (Diane.) Caring uncle of Glenn (Kelly), Sherry (Michael), Jason (Andrea), Bryan (Heather), Sarah (Scott), Samantha, Christina, and Nick. Proud great uncle to many great nieces and nephews. Ray was preceded in death by his parents, son Eric, brother Henry, and wife Nancy.

Visitation will take place on Wednesday, June 1, from 2:00 pm until 8:00 pm. Visitation also Thursday, June 2, at 9:30 am until time of service 10 am, at Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 705 W. 11 Mile Rd. (4 blocks east of Woodward), Royal Oak. Graveside Service to follow at Oakview Cemetery.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 1. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Directors-Royal Oak
705 W. Eleven Mile Road
Royal Oak, MI 48067
(248) 541-7000
royal@sullivanfh.com
<https://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com/>

Visitation

JUN 2. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

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705 W. Eleven Mile Road
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Funeral Service

JUN 2. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Committal Service

JUN 2. 11:00 AM (ET)

Oakview Cemetery
1032 N. Main Street
Royal Oak, MI 48067

Tribute Wall

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“ It’s so hard to comprehend that your gone from this earth Ray. But I know in my heart your at peace with Nancy in a better place. Through our Murray’s years together and your lasting friendship I am humbled. You were without a doubt one of the most genuine and kindest souls I ever had the fortune to know. My deepest condolences to the families. 💜🥹🙏

Kevin Hayes - June 02, 2022 at 06:46 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Raymond Eugene Hepner.



June 01, 2022 at 05:16 PM

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“ Amy C. Atchley purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Raymond Eugene Hepner.



Amy C. Atchley - June 01, 2022 at 11:55 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Raymond Eugene Hepner.



June 01, 2022 at 10:14 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket* was purchased for the family of Raymond Eugene Hepner.



June 01, 2022 at 07:01 AM



“ *Rose Remembrance* was purchased for the family of Raymond Eugene Hepner.



May 31, 2022 at 07:44 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Raymond Eugene Hepner.



May 31, 2022 at 05:56 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Raymond Eugene Hepner.*



May 31, 2022 at 12:03 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Raymond Eugene Hepner.*



May 31, 2022 at 11:06 AM



“ *Brother Glenn & Patricia purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Raymond Eugene Hepner.*



Brother Glenn & Patricia - May 31, 2022 at 10:44 AM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Raymond Eugene Hepner.*



May 31, 2022 at 10:27 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Raymond Eugene Hepner.*



May 30, 2022 at 07:37 PM



“ *Both Ray and Nancy have been good neighbors for years. We loved looking at all his cars and especially the pop machine. They will be missed but will always be with us. Condolences to all of the family. Sincerely Elliott and Cathy*

Elliott and Cathy - May 30, 2022 at 09:23 AM



“ *To the family, so sorry for your loss. Ray was a gentle kind soul. He will surely be missed by everyone. Not to sound cliché'Everybody Loves Raymond*

Debbie Aceves - May 29, 2022 at 09:16 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Raymond Eugene Hepner.*



May 29, 2022 at 07:34 PM

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“ Ray and I were high-school friends. We were both interested in cars, as most of us were and are. He was a gentle kind spirit. I know he loved the Lord. And spoke often about him in his posts. We kept in touch over the years through social media. Praising God for his life and his witness. I know he is with Christ and his loving wife. May God's grace sustain his loving family during this difficult time.

Love,

*Brad n Sandy Hoover
Lake Orion Mi.*

Brad n Sandy Hoover - May 29, 2022 at 03:39 PM