



Rodger Stevens Heliste

October 2, 1945 - March 12, 2020

Rodger Stevens Heliste, age 74, of Grayling, passed away March 12, 2020.

Rodger was a retired Detroit police officer, and an Air Force veteran who served in Vietnam. He also was a youth hockey coach in Redford. In his free time, he enjoyed spending time at the American Legion up in Grayling, playing Keno and slots at the casinos, hunting, and golfing. Most importantly though, he was incredibly proud of being "Pa" to his grandchildren.

Rodger was the beloved husband of the late Judy. Loving father of Scott (Theresa) Heliste and Jamie (Jay) Iverson. Dear grandfather of Michael, Matthew, Julia, Bailey, Christopher, Amanda, Hailey, and Deanna. Dear brother of the late Alan Heliste. Also survived by his nieces and nephew.

Visitation Saturday 2-8 pm and service Sunday, 12:00 p.m., at the Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Home, 705 W 11 Mile Road (4 blocks E of Woodward), Royal Oak.

Please share a memory on the Tribute Wall at www.SullivanFuneralDirectors.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR **14.** 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/>

Funeral Service

MAR **15.** 12:00 PM (ET)

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Burial

MAR **16.** 10:00 AM (ET)

Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens
43300 W. 12 Mile Road
Novi, MI 48377

Tribute Wall



“ *Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rodger Stevens Heliste.*



March 14, 2020 at 05:15 PM



“ *Love and Prayers, Theresa Mitchell & Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Rodger Stevens Heliste.*



Love and Prayers, Theresa Mitchell & Family - March 14, 2020 at 11:50 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Rodger Stevens Heliste.*



March 14, 2020 at 10:16 AM

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“ Rodger and I went back many many years to the old neighborhood on Prest. And then when he decided to join the Detroit Police Department when I did and we ended up at the police academy together in class 69 G. We rode together every day to the academy when it was in Palmer park. I remember having to quiz him every morning on the way to the academy for our daily spelling tests because he was such a horrible speller. We made it through and eventually ended up at #10 together. From their our careers went in different directions but always remained friends. We all have our Rodger stories and so do I. You'll be missed. RIP my brother in blue. My sincere condolences to you Jamie and Scott and your families

Roy Gray - March 14, 2020 at 09:03 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Rodger Stevens Heliste.



March 13, 2020 at 08:37 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Rodger Stevens Heliste.



March 13, 2020 at 04:29 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of Rodger Stevens Heliste.



March 12, 2020 at 10:49 PM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray* was purchased for the family of Rodger Stevens Heliste.



March 12, 2020 at 04:56 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms* was purchased for the family of Rodger Stevens Heliste.



March 12, 2020 at 04:14 PM