



Roger Elle

February 4, 1944 - July 23, 2022

Roger Murel Elle passed away on July 23, 2022 after a long battle with Parkinson's disease and other related disorders at the age of 78. He was born in Detroit, Michigan on February 4, 1944. He is survived by his loving wife Lucy (nee Pendolino), son Roger (Tina) and grandchildren Adam and Elaine. He is predeceased by his parents Harold and Sophie, his son Kevin and his daughter-in-law Tracy.

After graduating from Denby High School, he served in the United States Air Force from 1962-1966. Roger and Lucy were married on November 20, 1965. Elle graduated from Wayne State University with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (1970) and a Master of Business Administration (1973). Upon graduation, he taught as an adjunct faculty at Wayne State University's School of Business. His major accomplishments occurred during his employment at General Motors from 1966 to 2005. His illustrious career saw him rise from an entry level position to the upper tiers of management. Elle was instrumental in negotiating contracts with the UAW and successful day-to-day operations of assembly plants across southeast Michigan. His love for making the world a better place extended beyond business. Elle served as a reserve police officer for the city of Roseville and an auxiliary deputy--motor division for the Macomb County Sheriff. He was an active parishioner at Our Lady Queen of All Saints where he instrumental in developing many successful initiatives.

Mostly, he was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, and friend. He loved

bowling, burgers, and being at home. Instead of promotions and further success, Elle declined opportunities to build a new division of General Motors in Tennessee (Saturn) and to work in Italy to further GM's footprint in Europe. To him, a career was only as important as his ability to be with the ones he loved.

And he loved animals! During his life, Elle was blessed with numerous remarkable pets, including cats, dogs, fish, hamsters, frogs, toads, a rabbit, and a giant Macaw.

The family is heartbroken. We take solace in the certainty of his reunion with Kevin, and we will continue to live through his example.

A memorial service will be held to honor Roger's life, with a memorial gathering beginning at 12:00 p.m. until the time of his service at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, July 29, 2022, at the Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 8459 Hall Road (3 blocks East of Van Dyke), Utica.

Donations in Roger's memory can be made to the Michigan Anti-Cruelty Society at 13569 Joseph Campau Detroit, MI 48212 or <https://macsshelter.org>.

Please share a memory at www.SullivanFuneralDirectors.com

Previous Events

Memorial Gathering

JUL 29. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Wm Sullivan and Son Funeral Home
8459 Hall Road
Utica, MI 48317
(586) 731-2411
utica@sullivanfh.com
<https://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com/>

Memorial Service

JUL 29. 1:00 PM (ET)

Wm Sullivan and Son Funeral Home
8459 Hall Road
Utica, MI 48317
(586) 731-2411
utica@sullivanfh.com
<https://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com/>

Tribute Wall

DB

“ On behalf of everyone at Steinberg & Associates we would like to extend our deepest condolences and prayers to Lucy, Roger, Tina, Adam and Elaine.

Rogers smile was contagious. He was such a caring and funny man who loved his family more than anything. We are all so saddened to hear about this. May you find comfort and strength in the days and months to come.

Deborah Bouffard - July 29, 2022 at 04:56 PM

RL

“ Dear Lucy and Family: Our heartfelt condolences go to you and the Elle Family. Unfortunately, we will not be able to attend services today, however, please know our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Roger was one of the best. Ezio, Rene' & Ashley Lucci



Rene Lucci - July 29, 2022 at 09:19 AM



“ Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Roger Elle.



July 28, 2022 at 02:11 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Roger Elle.



July 28, 2022 at 09:59 AM