



Wallace O. Culton Jr.

October 29, 1940 - March 12, 2019

Culton, Wallace "Wally" Age 78. March 12, 2019.

Beloved husband of 30 years to Beatrice and 24 years to the late Sandra. Loving father of Vicki (Don) Prince, Michelle (Todd) Ekstrom, and LaPresas (Allen) Hundley. Proud grandfather of Brittnee (Patrick) Harvey, Paige Ekstrom, Madison Ekstrom, Presten Hundley, Alleyna Hundley and great grandfather of Gavin Harvey. Dear brother of Sarah Jane (the late Paul) Ruckle, Charles (Janet) Culton and Cindy (Dave) Simmons. Predeceased by parents, Wallace and Edith Culton. Also survived by many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Wally was born on October 29, 1940 in Perth Amboy, NJ. His family moved to Royal Oak when he was six years old. He was a graduate of Kimball High School and attended Highland Park Community College, Central Michigan University and was most proud of his diploma from Birmingham Bible Institute. He was an active and devout member of New Beginning Church. Mr. Culton retired from the State of Michigan, where he was employed as a criminal investigator for 29 years. He was the owner of amateur radio license station: WD8PSN. The family will receive friends Saturday, March 16 from 10:30 am until time of memorial service 11 am at New Beginning Baptist Church, 7325 Maceday Lake Rd., Waterford 48329. Memorial contributions to American Diabetes Association or New Beginning Baptist Church are appreciated. Share your memories at www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAR **16**. 11:00 AM (ET)

New Beginning Baptist Church
7325 Maceday Lake Road
Waterford Township, MI 48329

Tribute Wall

“ My Brother

I was asked to say a few words about my brother at his memorial service Butch always said he was “Poor Born” since he was born at home and not in a hospital like the rest of us.

When I came around he was already 12 and he was my buddy. I always wanted to hang with him which I’m sure he did not always appreciate when he was in high school and beyond.

I remember cruising Woodward Ave and going to the Totem Pole Drive-in with him and his friend Gary. I miss that place and the Big Chef Burgers. He would also take me to Cass Lake where he attempted to teach me to swim.

Butch played the Sousaphone in Middle School and when I reached Middle School I also played the Sousaphone just like him.

As time went on we raised our families but the adventures continued. We both got our HAM Radio Licenses and would make annual trips with other HAM friends to the Dayton Hamvention. We would camp in my pop-up at the Tall Timbers KOA and got to know the owner. She would know us as the Culton boys. All the Times we camped at the KOA there was front row of campers reserved for the large motor homes and 5th wheels . Butch always said we would know we made it to the top if we ever camped there. One year I brought my first 5th wheel and did not tell him. When I checked into the KOA the owner saw my new 5th wheel and put us in the first row. Later that day Butch arrived and when he check in at the office to where we were the owner pointed to out campsite and told my brother that we made it. He was so happy telling everyone about our new camper and the prime location we were camping on.

I got my pilots license and Butch was the first person to take a ride. The ink was not even dry on my license and he became my co-pilot. Butch loved flying with me but done asked him to navigate (He would get lost) or make sure the door was closed and latched (He left a seat belt outside the plane once then decided to open the door while I was climbing from takeoff). No trip was too short or too long for him. He even paid for the fuel.

Butch got into the house rental business (Culton & Associates) I was the associate he said. My job was to rehab old houses he got and then he would rent them out. If HGTV was around then they could have had a show about us. It would have been a How Not to Do Show. He also got into the communications business selling and installing used 2 way radios. We sure had many interesting encounters and stories from those businesses.

After taking his family on vacation to Mexico he took me to Acapulco where he purchased a place. Families and friends had lots of adventures at Mr. Wally’s place in Acapulco.

Remember the Blues Brothers? Yep that was Butch (Jake) and me (Elwood) at Halloween parties and other functions.

Butch was an investigator with the Secretary of State and I was an office in the State Police. We worked for difference departments but once in a while we got to work together on a case. There was one judge that liked to see the Culton Brothers in her court and the cases we presented.

As time went by I made several moves around the state due to assignments but Butch and I kept in-touch always letting each other know what we were up to. Growing up with Butch was always an adventure, which everyone that knew him was lucky to take part in. He was my big brother but also my best friend. Butch may have been "Poor Born" but his life was rich with friends, family and adventures.

*Your Brother & Best friend
Charlie*

Charles - March 25, 2019 at 10:45 PM

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“ *your Friend ! Ned Cavallaro, purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Wallace O. Culton Jr..*



your Friend ! Ned Cavallaro, - March 15, 2019 at 11:48 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Wallace O. Culton Jr..*



March 15, 2019 at 06:32 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Wallace O. Culton Jr..*



March 14, 2019 at 04:22 PM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Wallace O. Culton Jr..*



March 14, 2019 at 11:53 AM



“ *Delightful Dieffenbachia was purchased for the family of Wallace O. Culton Jr..*



March 14, 2019 at 11:30 AM

BB

“ *We have very fond memories of Wally, whom we called "Butchie," and his first wife Sandy, He was Eileen Pucker Bailey's first cousin and we were both wed in 1963.*

Ben Bailey - March 14, 2019 at 11:21 AM

JL

“ *I was working at the drug store near Uncle Wallace's house when Butch came in with his first daughter(1 month old) to show me. He was so proud, smiling from ear to ear. He told me all about the advantages of having a baby carrier. Family was #1 with him. I Will miss Butch. Jan*

Jan Lufkin - March 14, 2019 at 11:10 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Wallace O. Culton Jr..*



March 13, 2019 at 07:29 PM