



David R. Jankowiak

October 24th, 1951 - March 24th, 2023

Age: 71 years

David R. Jankowiak, Sr. Bay City, Michigan

Our devoted husband, father, grandfather and son, David Jankowiak, Sr., went to be with the Lord Friday, March 24, 2023 at McLaren Bay Region with family by his side. David was born October 24, 1951 to parents, Richard and Harriet (Rasmer) Jankowiak in Bay City, Michigan. He graduated from Bay City Central High School in 1969 and later attended Delta College to take classes for engineering. David worked for General Motors where he devoted nearly 40 years before retiring in 2008. Later in life he met his best friend Leanne, whom he married at St. Stanislaus Church in 1998.

Mr. Jankowiak was a devout Marine, "Once a Marine, always a Marine." After enlisting in 1971 he graduated Boot Camp as Company Honor Man. He faithfully served during the Vietnam war in the South China Sea as a Radio Operator/Naval Gunfire Spotter. He was a loving family man who enjoyed the great outdoors. David and Leanne were members of the Saginaw Bay Yacht Club and he thoroughly enjoyed boating. He was happiest outside hunting, fishing, spending time in Mio, and showing off his master grilling skills. Most of all, David enjoyed time with his supportive wife, Leanne and their blended family.

Left to carry on his memory are wife, Leanne (Colling) Jankowiak; mother, Harriet (Rasmer) Jankowiak; children: David R. (Ellen) Jankowiak, Jr., Kerri (Ryan) Moore; Kelly (Chris) Carque; step-children: David Jack (Rochelle) Whaley, Charlie Dijak; grandchildren: Aidan Jankowiak, Erin Moore, Kevin Moore, Mollie Moore, Emerson Carque, Sunny Carque, Kaleb Whaley, Greysen Whaley; siblings: Richard "Rick" (Janice) Jankowiak, Tim (Diane) Jankowiak; many nieces and nephews and special friends. Preceding him in death is father, Richard Jankowiak.

A Funeral Mass celebrating David's life will be held at 11:00 AM Thursday, March 30, 2023 at Our Lady of Czestochowa Parish - St. Stanislaus Church. Fr. Richard Jozwiak celebrating. Friends and family may gather for visitation Wednesday, March 29, 2023 from 4:00 PM until 8:00 PM at Ambrose Funeral Home, and Thursday at the church from 10:00 AM until the time of service at 11:00 AM. A burial will later take place at Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly, Michigan. Those considering a donation in his name may wish to consider the American Legion Post 18 or Knights of Columbus council 12423.

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