



Duane Charles Hatch

November 30, 1932 - December 28, 2021

Duane Charles Hatch, age 89 formerly a longtime resident of Clare passed away peacefully at home with both of his sons at his side on December 28, 2021.

Duane was born the son of Berlin Charles and Jennie Bethel (McFarland) Hatch in Ponca City OK on November 30, 1932. Duane was raised by his adopted parents Glen Edward and Nellie Grace (Keener) Hatch when Duane's mother passed away shortly after his birth.

Duane lived a very good life. As a young child he migrated with Glen and Nellie from Tonkawa OK, stopping at several states in between before ending up in Clare MI during his high school years where Duane graduated from the Clare High School class of 1951. During his high school years Duane met Shirley June (Wright) Hatch. Duane and Shirley were married on August 13, 1951 and were married for almost 65 years.

Duane was the 4th of 5 generations of the Hatch family to be in oil and gas industry with his career spanning over 6 decades. Duane started in the oilfield at the age of 14 and during his successful career he was president of Hatch & Hogle Power Swivel Services in the early 1960's until the early 1970's when Tri State Oil Tools purchased Hatch & Hogle. Duane was employed as the store manager of the Mt. Pleasant location until his retirement. Duane was

proud of the fact that he was an expert in surface geology.

Duane always had a love for water as when he was a child, he always had a speedboat and he was also an excellent water skier. In his later years Duane spent 20 winters cruising in the Bahamas on his 37' sailboat where he became an expert on sailing, diving, spearing lobsters and deep-sea fishing. Duane was a Korean War Veteran and he was also a member of the Warren Masonic Lodge #427 F. & A.M in Coleman MI.

Survivors include his sons Gary (Joy) Hatch, Jim (Nancy) Hatch, grandchildren Jenna (Tim) Janssen and Lara Hatch. Duane was preceded in death by his wife of almost 65 years Shirley June (Wright) Hatch, his birth parents Berlin Charles and Jennie Bethel (McFarland) Hatch, his adopted parents Glen Edward and Nellie Grace (Keener) Hatch, Siblings Infant Son Hatch and Infant Daughter Hatch.

Per Duane's wishes a cremation has taken place. A Masonic Service and Memorial Service will be scheduled at a later date.

Tribute Wall

JW

“ *Jim & Family*
So sorry to hear of your father passing. I always remember one of the best steaks I ever had a big huge T-bone he cooked under the broiler. So glad our paths crossed.
Jody Walworth

Jody Walworth - January 20, 2022 at 01:47 PM

ST

“ *I just found out I'm sadden ti hear this . Dear Uncle Duane you will be sadly missed. Love you and Love and hugs to Gary and Jim*

Sandy (Cunningham) Turley - January 15, 2022 at 05:27 PM

MA

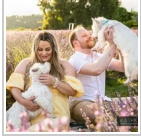
“ *I have good and pleasant memories of a fine neighbor and friend. We used to love to sit and chat on whatever the latest project or plan that was going on. I first met him while he was visiting Turkey Creek from one of his jaunts to the Bahamas about 2004 and later he moved to be a neighbor. A lovely man.*

Mike Ashmore - January 15, 2022 at 09:21 AM

LA

“ *Jim and family. He taught you well. I hope you continue to live life as happy as he did. Sending Love to you all. Laurie*

Laurie Alexander - January 14, 2022 at 11:11 AM



“ *Grandpa, I can't believe I didn't know. You are one of my best friends. I love you so much. I can't believe no one told me. I'm so angry and sad.*

Jenna Janssen - January 13, 2022 at 07:28 PM

PA

Duane Hatch was my husbands boss when we lived in Mt Pleasant MI. A wonderful man. I was also friends with his wife Shirley. We would also go out to lunch. Also visited them at their home in Clare. Pamela in Ohio

Pamela - December 27, 2023 at 09:35 PM

RW

“ *Deepest sympathy to the family from Ginny and Bob Withers. Hatch was a great neighbor and good friend.*

Robert Withers - January 13, 2022 at 05:03 PM