



Fred J. Snider

March 2, 1935 - February 10, 2021

Fred J. Snider, age 85 of Clare, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, February 10, 2021 at the MediLodge Nursing Home of Clare. On March 2, 1935, Fred was born one of three children to John and Margaret (Bouvet) Snider in Sault Ste Marie, Michigan. He was united in marriage to Patricia Payment on December 1, 1967 in Sault Ste Marie, and together they shared just over fifty-three years of marriage together. Shortly after his graduation from Brimley High School, Fred proudly served as a member of the United States Army. Upon finishing his enlistment, Fred went to work for the Michigan Bell Telephone Company, a career that lasted thirty-eight years until his retirement in the late 1990's. After Fred's retirement from the phone company, he and Pat relocated from Sault Ste Marie to Clare, where they would enjoy their retirement years and become very involved in the St. Cecilia Catholic Church. Fred's passions included rooting for the Detroit Red Wings and getting together for monthly card games with his fellow Bell Telephone family, but those that knew Fred well, knew that outside of spending time with his grandkids, his greatest passion was that of music. He loved to play and build steel guitars and even recoded and produced music himself in his basement studio. He looked back on his younger years in his local band as many of his fondest memories.

Fred is survived by his wife Patricia Snider of Clare, and his four children Marlaina (Kevin) Mitchell of Grand Rapids, MI., Jackie (Ron) Bernard of Sparta, WI., Nancy (Dennis) Drake of Jackson, MI., and Dana (Mike) Reid of

Cedarville, MI. Other survivors include his fifteen grandchildren, his five great-grandchildren, and his sisters Janette (Mike) DiPiazza of Gowen, MI. and Darlene (Jerry) Graffis of Clare. Fred was preceded in death by his parents John and Margaret Snider and his daughter Debbie Laponsie.

In keeping with Fred's wishes, cremation has taken place. A memorial Mass in honor of Fred will take place on Friday, October 22, 2021 at the Our Lady of Hope Parish, St. Cecilia Site at 11 A.M. with Monsignor Francis Koper officiating. Burial will follow after his mass in the St. Cecilia Catholic Cemetery of Clare. Memorial contributions in honor of Fred may be directed to either Heartland Hospice or to the MediLodge Nursing Home of Clare. Online condolences may be expressed on Fred's tribute page at www.stephenson-wyman.com

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **22**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Hope Parish, St. Cecilia Site
106 E. Wheaton Street
Clare, MI 48617

Service

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Tribute Wall

CD

“*Darlene and Jeannetteso sorry to hear of Freddie's passing. Maybe he and my brother Albert will be playing music together in heaven. Lots of happy memories of you guys when we were kids! Condolences to you all. Connie Jaros Drake*

Connie Jaros Drake - February 20, 2021 at 11:42 AM

LM

“*I was I medilodge last year before COVID, I would go downstairs to visit. Fred was also my first and longest stop. We would talk for a while then we ended up singing something. R.I.P. Fred whenever I hear your name it will bring joy*♥

Linda McAbee - February 19, 2021 at 12:27 PM

RW

“*Sending love to my aunt and cousins. Uncle Fred was a great man and he deserved his wings. He will be jamming with dad and many other loved ones. Love you all my family* ♥🙏♥

ruthann wilson - February 13, 2021 at 09:05 AM

JO

“*I'm gonna miss playing Cribbage with you and listening to Ma Bell stories. Rest in peace my friend.*
-Jamie

Jamie Overby - February 13, 2021 at 07:04 AM

JM

“ *Pat and family*
Sorry to hear of Fred's passing now with his buddy Keith whooping
it up
Thoughts and prayers for all of you
Sincerely Jeff and Sharon

jeff michels - February 12, 2021 at 07:15 PM

TW

“ *Tina Wurster lit a candle in memory of Fred J.*
Snider



Tina Wurster - February 12, 2021 at 06:11 PM