



Gareld "Bud" Armentrout

July 23, 1937 - July 18, 2020

Gareld "Bud" Armentrout, age 82 of Clare, passed away peacefully on Saturday, July 18, 2020 at the North Woods Nursing Home of Farwell, MI. On July 23, 1937, Bud was born the son of William "Russell" and Ima "Jean" (Dunkle) Armentrout in Clare, MI, his lifelong home. He was united in marriage to Vonnita "Nita" Bauer in Saginaw, MI. on January 30, 1964, and the couple enjoyed just over fifty-one years of marriage together until the time of Nita's passing in May of 2015. Bud proudly served as a member of the U.S. Army's 27th Infantry from 1961 to 1963, and he was a 30-year employee and operator for Dow Chemical Company during his working years. Between his shifts at Dow, Bud could usually be found tending to his family operated dairy farm. Those that knew Bud well knew his love for God and his church. He loved hunting and fishing, whether in Clare or at his cabin in the U.P. As he got older he loved spending time visiting with friends and family in person or on the phone. He was known for his big, infectious smile.

Bud is survived by his children Julie (Lloyd) Medford of Clare, Daniel (Ronna) Armentrout of Merrill, David (Karen) Armentrout of Ionia, Darell Armentrout of Mt. Pleasant, and Lindsey Langmaid of Waterford, as well as his seven grandchildren. Bud was preceded in death by his wife Nita, his parents Russell and Jean Armentrout, and his sisters JoAnn Calkins and Glenda Armentrout, who was his twin.

A funeral service in honor of Bud will take place on Thursday, July 23, 2020 at 11:00 A.M. at the Arthur Township Cemetery with Pastor Jereme Bear

officiating. Friends may visit Bud's family at the Clare Chapel of the Stephenson-Wyman Funeral Home on Wednesday, July 22, 2020 from 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. and at the Arthur Township Cemetery (located at 2500 S. Athey Ave., Clare, MI. 48617) on Thursday from 10:00 A.M. until the time of service at 11:00 A.M. Memorial contributions in honor of Bud may be made to a charity of the donor's choice. Current Michigan Covid-19 guidelines set by the Governor will be observed. For those unable to attend, online condolences may be shared with the Armentrout family at www.stephenson-wyman.com

Cemetery Details

Arthur Township Cemetery

2500 S. Athey Ave.
Clare, MI 48617

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL **22**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Stephenson - Wyman Funeral Home (Clare)
1005 North McEwan St.
Clare, MI 48617
(989) 386-7451
wymanh@chartermi.net
<https://www.stephenson-wyman.com/>

Visitation

JUL **23**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *CMU purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Gareld "Bud" Armentrout.*



CMU - July 22, 2020 at 11:10 AM



“ *The Office of Residence Life at CMU purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Gareld "Bud" Armentrout.*



The Office of Residence Life at CMU - July 22, 2020 at 08:38 AM



“ *Don Sprague and Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Gareld "Bud" Armentrout.*



Don Sprague and Family - July 22, 2020 at 02:16 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Gareld "Bud" Armentrout.*



July 21, 2020 at 10:16 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Gareld "Bud" Armentrout.*



July 21, 2020 at 10:09 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gareld "Bud" Armentrout.*



July 21, 2020 at 06:00 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Gareld "Bud" Armentrout.*



July 20, 2020 at 07:11 PM



“ *I got to know Bud when we served together in "D" Company, 27th Infantry "Wolfhounds", 25th Division based in Schofield Barracks, Hawaii. He was quite a character "back in the day". Later years Phyllis and I enjoyed Him and Nita at our Army reunions. We travelled to Michigan a couple of times when they hosted our reunion. We'll miss his calls at Christmas time but he will always be in our memories. Our prayers and thoughts are with his family.*

Bill Kunzman - July 20, 2020 at 03:33 PM

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“ *Lindsey K Langmaid purchased the Memorial Wildflower Seed Pouches for the family of Gareld "Bud" Armentrout.*



Lindsey K Langmaid - July 20, 2020 at 02:59 PM

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“ *Julie, Dan, David and Daryl, Our condolences to you. We have a lot of great memories going up north to the cabin with Bud and Nita. Bud loved to tease our daughters, Denise and Angie. He called Angie 'Denephew.' In fact, just the other day Angie was saying Bud gave her the only nickname she's ever had. RIP Bud. Phil and Connie Buswell*

connie Buswell - July 20, 2020 at 01:54 PM

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“ *Jackie and my thoughts and prayers are with you in the passing of your Dad. He and mom are rejoicing together once again in heaven. We will cherish the fond memories of the whole Armentrout family during the time we were privileged to be your pastor. God bless. Sending our love to each of you.*

Pastor Keith & Jackie Raderstorf

Keith Raderstorf - July 20, 2020 at 08:59 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gareld "Bud" Armentrout.*



July 19, 2020 at 10:47 PM



“ *My friend and cousin bud has kept in touch over the years. I will miss our phone conversations and his friendship. I know he is with his eternal family now*

Marilyn Graham - July 19, 2020 at 09:50 PM



We have so many good and precious memories of our time in Hawaii when Bud and my husband, Maynard Smith from Arkansas, were serving in the US Army 27th Infantry Wolfhounds along with their close friend Albert Frank and his wife Karen from North Dakota. Our group would not have been the same if Bud were not there with us. We loved Bud like a brother and we will miss his Happy Birthday calls. We met Nita through our Military reunions and loved her too. Barbara Smith

Maynard Smith - July 20, 2020 at 05:31 PM



I will always remember Bud as one of the kindest men I have ever known. Jerry, Julia and I were so blessed by Bud, Nita and Joann coming down to Julia's to help us have a bible study. I was thinking of him this past week (our birthdays are close to each other) and the first thing I see when I think of him is his wonderful smile... He never failed to stop at our shop when he was in town. Always, with that wonderful smile.!! He always wanted to know how my dog Rosie was... He knew that I had named her after Glenda Rose. I will sure miss that loveable guy. I was so blessed to have known him. My sincere condolences to you all. What a blessing to know we will see him again in Heaven. I know he was welcomed by Jesus with a " Well done my good and faithful servant". And I just bet Glenda was there with a Birthday Cake!!! God Bless you all!!! Patty Savage (Jerry's wife)

Patricia Savage - July 20, 2020 at 07:38 PM