



Gordon N. Palmer II

March 27, 1953 - April 3, 2016

Gordon "Gordie" N. Palmer II, age 63, of Clare, passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, April 3, at Covenant Medical Center in Saginaw. He was born the son of Gordon and Madeline (Cunningham) Palmer on March 27, 1953 in Midland. He married Jane Ann "Annie" Phillips on May 27, 1977 and she preceded him in death on September 18, 2006. In July of 2008 Gordie married the Former Jayne Green-Falsetta and she survives him. Gordie was a sales engineer with Randell Manufacturing. He had lived most of his life in the Clare Area and had been a longtime member of the Clare United Methodist Church and was currently attending the Brown Corners Church. He enjoyed hunting and fishing and was an "Extreme Baseball Fan". Gordie had a generous spirit, he performed many random acts of kindness.

Gordie is survived by his wife, Jayne, his children, Michael Palmer of Ann Arbor and Elizabeth of Lansing, Jayne's children, Tony (Kristin) Falsetta of Canton, Katie (John) Mayer of Canton, Mike Falsetta of Mt. Pleasant, and Dan Falsetta of Portage, his sister, Rosemary (Don) Ash of Lansing, grandchildren, Anthony, Kyle, and Allison, and Nephews, Christopher and wife Miae, and Jason and wife Brittne. He was preceded in death by "Annie" and his sister, Joyce and brother, Joe and their parents, Gordon and Madeline Palmer and Ellen Palmer.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, April 9, at 1:00 PM from the Brown Corners United Brethren Church with pastor Jeremiah Ketchum officiating. Friends may meet with his family on Friday at the Clare Chapel of

Stephenson-Wyman Funeral Home from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 PM and on Saturday at the church from 11 AM until 1 PM. Memorials may be made to the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation.

Cemetery Details

Cherry Grove Cemetery

1000 Cedar St.
Clare, MI 48617

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 8. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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

Visitation

APR 8. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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Visitation

APR 9. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Brown Corners United Brethren Church
5540 S. Clare Avenue
Clare, MI 48617

Service

APR 9. 1:00 PM (ET)

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5540 S. Clare Avenue
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Tribute Wall

CF

“ *Candice Spencer and Family purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Gordon N. Palmer II.*



Candice Spencer and Family - April 08, 2016 at 04:33 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Gordon N. Palmer II.*



April 08, 2016 at 01:45 PM

LR

“ *Laurie, Dana, and Spencer Roofing purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Gordon N. Palmer II.*



Laurie, Dana, and Spencer Roofing - April 08, 2016 at 09:13 AM

GW

“Gordie perfectly fit the description of the "extraordinary ordinary man". Few people treat well dressed royalty or the guy in a work shirt with sweat on his collar the same way but Gordie did and never even gave it a thought. I am glad I had the chance to know him and spend some time talking about the world with him.

Gary Wilbers
Apex Commercial Kitchen Co.
Kansas City

Gary Wilbers - April 07, 2016 at 02:58 PM

PF

“When I first met Gordie while training at Randell years ago, he would always tell me that he was on the verge of retirement. I am not sure why he always joked about retirement because he NEVER displayed any indication of retiring while working with him over the years (....or even just talking to him on the phone?) He was a very hard worker and was always a pleasure to talk to and work with! While I am very saddened by the loss of such a great man, I will be forever grateful for knowing him these last 10-12 years. I wish the Palmer family my best and will continue to keep you all in my prayers. R.I.P. "Pal"

Patrick S. Fischer - April 07, 2016 at 12:24 PM

JH

“Jen, Bob And Alison Hopp lit a candle in memory of Gordon N. Palmer II



Jen, Bob and Alison Hopp - April 07, 2016 at 07:21 AM

TF

“ *The Churchman and Harris Families purchased the Health Nut Basket for the family of Gordon N. Palmer II.*



The Churchman and Harris Families - April 06, 2016 at 08:29 PM

TT

“ *The Kenco Team purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Gordon N. Palmer II.*



The Kenco Team - April 06, 2016 at 03:10 PM

MB

“ *As a classmate of Gordies he always had a way of making you feel you were special and welcomed. He will surely be missed. My thoughts and prayers go out to you and the family Jayne. Due to health reasons I will not be able to attend the services but you are all in my prayers.*

Marian Boatman-Irish - April 06, 2016 at 02:57 PM

CM

“ *Cate McGinn & family and Rick McCullough purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Gordon N. Palmer II.*



Cate McGinn & family and Rick McCullough - April 06, 2016 at 02:51 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Gordon N. Palmer II.*



April 06, 2016 at 01:57 PM



“ *Gordie, you were an important member of our Class of '72, truly one of a kind, and kept every moment in our school years, and then at our reunions and annual gatherings, lively. We loved you for your humor, your generosity and kindness, and your love for all. Your gentle and kind spirit will stay with us. Bless you and Jayne and your family. We will miss you, but we will never forget you.*

Cate McGinn - April 06, 2016 at 01:43 PM



“ *ralph badgero purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Gordon N. Palmer II.*



ralph badgero - April 06, 2016 at 12:06 PM

AO

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to Gordies family...
Gordie,
You were a great friend whom I enjoyed being around. I will miss you dearly. The work place and my life will not be the same without you in it. Ironically the last time we texted each other you we're in Tennessee. I'm there now and will be back in time to say good by old buddy "lightly on the old". I will always love you buddy. Your pal
Al...

Al Ostrowsky - April 06, 2016 at 07:43 AM

JS

“ Gordie was among my many younger Palmer cousins. I didn't get to know him well , reading the kind words about him makes me realize what I missed. He had the best of both his parents,his Dads quick wit (as Mike said) and his Moms caring manner. My thoughts and Prayers are with Gordies family and friends,treasure the memories of him.
Joyce Palmer Short

Joyce Short - April 05, 2016 at 08:00 PM

AD

“Gordie was one of the first associates I worked with at Randell 35 years ago when we worked next to each other during a summer I worked between years at school. He was a good mentor to a young kid that knew it all and he would make sure I knew I didn't know it all. I worked with Gordie for the last 33 years and I always enjoyed our visits and he never failed to ask about my family. We were both Spartan fans and I will cherish the souvenir Spartan hockey puck I have on my desk he gave me when I shared a weekend of hockey fun with my son Eric when he was younger. I always enjoyed the how much he adored his kids and shared all they accomplished and know he was a caring husband and father. I will miss Gordie but I know he is in a good place with the lord. My sincere condolences to his family and my prayers for their healing in their time of loss. God bless. Art DeLorenzo

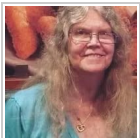
Art DeLorenzo - April 05, 2016 at 06:07 PM



“Gordie was truly one of the kindest people I have ever had the pleasure of having in my life. He always had a kind word and compliment to hand out no matter how his day was going. Gordie is an example of how God meant for all of us to act. I will forever miss his bear hugs when I am in the office and will remember him fondly forever!

Wendy

Wendy Lamb - April 05, 2016 at 05:26 PM



“What a great cousin n always had fun playing hide and seek with you and sister Rose and running in the house getting yelled at by Aunt Madelyn . W I'll be missing you my friend and cousin R.I.P

Sandra Turley - April 05, 2016 at 04:22 PM

DT

“ *My heartfelt condolences to Gordie's family and his many friends. I will miss his giving personality, caring for others and most of all his heart, he gave it every day to each and everyone of us. Farewell my friend, until we meet again.*

Deb Tice - April 05, 2016 at 04:12 PM

CH

“ *Gordie you are missed already! I had the pleasure of working with Gordie in a work cell as we muddled through computer transitions, customer quotes and order and shared stories of the day. Gordie always had a smile on his face and only got upset on others behalf....Never meet someone with a bigger heart and that was always willing to listen and commiserate with you. I will certainly miss our catch up conversation. He was always thankful of his family and spend more time bragging about his kids than most. Rest in peace my friend and look forward to hearing more stories when we meet again.*

Chance Hunt - April 05, 2016 at 04:01 PM



“ *Sandra Turley lit a candle in memory of Gordon N. Palmer II*



Sandra Turley - April 05, 2016 at 03:53 PM

SS

“ I will miss you Gordo and our weekly sessions solving the world's problems. We darn near had them all figured out. I can only imagine you are upstairs getting that place in order to make it better for the rest of us.
Rest easy my friend.

Scott Sandel - April 05, 2016 at 03:11 PM

BD

“ We were sad to hear about the loss of Gordie. He left all of us with good memories and we learned many things from him on a personal and business base. We all will keep Gordies Family in our prayers.
Bob and Deb Davis

Bob Davis - April 05, 2016 at 03:06 PM

ME

“ Gordie was my cousin. We haven't seen each other for some years, but I always enjoyed our phone conversations. He was so funny, and had that Palmer sense of humor, and quick wit. I will miss him very much. My sincere condolences to Gordies wife and family.
R.I.P.

Michael Erway - April 05, 2016 at 02:14 PM

BW

“ I have had the absolute pleasure of working with Gordie for 20 years. My heart goes out to his family. He was a special, loving and kind man. Everyday he would ask how the most beautiful girl in the world was doing, not only was I the most beautiful girl but he made sure each of us girls that worked with him were as well. There is hole in my heart that he is no longer here and I will miss him dearly. I know he is in heaven and will watch over us all now.

Billie Jo Willoughby - April 05, 2016 at 10:15 AM

BH

“ My heart is with Gordie's family and many friends during this difficult time. There is a large hole in our universe today, this man's life, his character, filled us all with smiles and laughter. Memories...camping in tiny pup tents, watching a barber stop cutting midway through a haircut because Gordie kept changing his mind about the style three times in one haircut; he left without it being finished, drive-in adventures at the Sundown in Rosebush, cruising the country dirt roads for garden vegetables to 'liberate', watching people's whole bodies simply light up when Gordie greeted them with that smile and hug, trying to stand quietly during the Christmas Live Nativity at the Methodist Church with Gordie's personal evaluations of those who came to view the scene, trying to teach him to ride a Red Honda 65 around our yard and watching him smack right into the fence trying to shift, seeing his joy when playing with a tiny Liz and Michael and watching the pride beam from his face as they grew into a young woman and man.... So much will be missed, but enough memories to keep him in our hearts forever. Truly a life well lived for far to short a time.

Bruce Hales - April 05, 2016 at 07:52 AM

DW

“ I have worked with Gordie for a long time, he would always take time to stop you and ask how you were and ask whats been going on in your life. Gordie was a good friend and I will miss him greatly. Happy knowing you are with our Lord!

Dan Wixson - April 05, 2016 at 07:22 AM

DW

“ I had the pleasure of working with Gordie for over 20 years. He was our champion. You didn't dare let him know if someone had offended you or treated you wrong. He would make sure they new about it and not to do it again.

Gordie would just pop up behind us and start to massage our shoulders and say you need to loosen up those little angel wings. I'm sure he's sporting a pair of his own now.

There are many things that made Gordie a special person. I'm going to miss you my friend. Rest in peace Gordie.

Until we meet again
Dawn

Dawn Warner - April 05, 2016 at 05:30 AM

RB

gordie is my cousin whom i should have sought more often than just by chance,I remember him as a wild child who always snuck in to a family picture of our mothers,aunts,uncles and cousins.I remember the times when he questiend me about my war time experiences with wide eyes.We will meet again and do some fishing and will have those long conversations that we never had.Be with god until we meet again.R I P.

ralph badgero - April 06, 2016 at 10:55 AM

DG

A class act, a true gentle man, a walking baseball encyclopedia and student of the game, and the proudest father you could ask for. I have the pleasure of knowing Gordie since Mike and my son were T-ball teammates and Clare Pioneer varsity players playing the game the way Gordie wanted it played, with heart and joy. He often told me of the work he and his company did on Comerica Park, his proud accomplishment of collecting all the autographs of the 1968 Tiger team, and I will always appreciate seeing him go the extra mile to make any player on the teams we coached together feel special. I have read the comments of his fellow workers, friends, and relations above, but I know Gordie as the best father Mike and Liz could have ever asked for.

Dennis Guerriero - April 08, 2016 at 06:11 AM