



James R. House

November 16, 1950 - October 9, 2023

James Roger House passed away in Lakeland, Florida on October 9, 2023. Born November 16, 1950, in Mt. Pleasant, Michigan, to Homer and Janette “Janet” (Pearce) House. James was a graduate of Clare High School (1968) and later of Central Michigan University (1974). He served in the National Guard (1971-1977) before embarking on his career as an industrial engineer. He enjoyed fishing, deer hunting, and tinkering. He was mostly a reserved man but put a tool in his hand and he opened up. He would talk of days gone by or the Detroit Tigers. With a tool in his hand, he also became a teacher much like his mother, passing on his knowledge of machines. He was proud to make something old new again, from a cabinet to a shotgun, or even an old stool or clock. Stripping away the years of paint, stain, or patina of an object to make it glow and in some cases function again.

He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Sandra (Love) House; his two sons Tim and Brad; 3 grandchildren, and 3 great grandchildren. Also surviving are his 4 sisters Calla, Roxanne, Valerie, and Julia. He was preceded in death by his son James House II (1972-1973).

A graveside service will be held at Cherry Grove Cemetery (1000 Cedar St, Clare, MI 48617) on October 28 at 11:30 a.m. A reception with lunch will immediately follow the service at the Clare Congressional UCC (110 W 5th St, Clare, MI 48617).

In lieu of flowers, his family suggests that donations be made in his name at either of the following organizations: Lustgarten Foundation Pancreatic Cancer Research – www.lustgarten.org or WriteGirl – www.WriteGirl.org. Arrangements in Michigan were handled by the Clare Chapel of Stephenson-Wyman Funeral Home. On-line condolences maybe left at www.stephenson-wyman.com

Previous Events

Graveside Services

OCT **28**. 11:30 AM (ET)

Cherry Grove Cemetery
1000 Cedar St.
Clare, MI 48617

Tribute Wall

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“ James and Don were best friends in high school so it only made sense that he was Best Man at our wedding 54 years ago. I remember when James brought Sandy to our home to introduce her to us. We knew she was very special to him and as it turned out the love of his life. Even though miles and busy lives have separated us through the years when we got together it was as if we were always together. It is with great sadness that we say goodbye to our longtime friend and yet great joy that we celebrate his light and life while he was here with us. May God bless Sandy and their family with the peace that passes all understanding.

Bette Shepard - October 28, 2023 at 05:58 AM

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“ Sandy and boys. My prayers are with you and the grandchildren. I will never forget all the fun we had when we'd get together for fondue dinners and game nights. Comfort and peace to all of you.

Patti(Jackson) Leis - October 24, 2023 at 06:56 AM