



Lyle R. Gallagher

September 16, 1928 - May 30, 2015

Lyle R. Gallagher, age 86 of Clare, passed away Saturday, May 30, 2015 at the MidMichigan Medical Center in Clare. Lyle was born the son of the late Carl A. and Lula (Gantz) Gallagher on September 16, 1928 in Maple Rapids. He was united in marriage to Geraldine "Gerry" Baker on September 10, 1949. Lyle had served his Country proudly in the U.S. Marines during WWII. Following his service he worked as a Bulk Milk Hauler in both Shiawassee and Clare Counties. Following his retirement he and Gerry enjoyed spending time with both family and friends at their winter home in Florida and summer getaway at Higgins Lake.

Lyle is survived by his loving wife, Gerry; children Steven (Alison) Gallagher and Stephanie (James) Cooper; son -in-law Don Harden; grandchildren Michelle Gallagher, Stacey (Tom) Sapp, Matt (Mary) Cooper, Kate (Sam) Russell, Mike (Eva) Piana and Marc Piana; great grandchildren Kyle, Anna, Bryn Sapp, Samantha and Jayce Russell, Luke and Haley Cooper and Carter Piana, and nieces Diane (Joel) Colbry and Pat (Stan) Simmons. Lyle was predeceased by his daughter Shelly Harden and brother and sister-in-law Robert and Norma Gallagher.

Visitation and services will be held at the Clare Chapel of Stephenson-Wyman Funeral Home. Visitation will be held on Tuesday, June 2, 2015 from 4 to 8 P.M. and again on Wednesday morning starting at 10 A.M. Services led by Pastor John Kasper will start at 11 A.M. A luncheon will follow at the Clare United Methodist Church. Memorial contributions may be made to the Clare

United Methodist Church Day Care Center Fund or to MidMichigan Home
Care and Hospice. On-line guestbook at www.stephenson-Wyman.com

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 2. 4:00 PM - 8:00 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

JUN 3. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Service

JUN 3. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

RP

“ Dear Gerry and Family: We want to express our deepest sympathy to you all. Luke will truly be missed by all of us who knew him at Higgins Lake. Talking to him and seeing Gerry and him riding around in the golf cart there is a memory we'll always treasure. He had such cheerfulness and always a friendly smile. Heaven will be an even more pleasant place with his being there. May the Lord give you strength during this time of tremendous sorrow. [Rod and Nora Palmer, Saint Louis, MI]

Rod and Nora Palmer - June 10, 2015 at 04:25 PM

RM

“ Dear Mrs. Gallagher & Family, Lyle was a terrific role model to all ! His kindness and support when I was coaching Matt & Kate will never be forgotten. He was a true gentleman every sense of the word! I feel blessed to have known him. I will keep all of you in my prayers at this difficult time. Ron McCulloch

Ron McCulloch - June 02, 2015 at 08:57 PM

RK

“ Dear Mrs. Gallagher & Family,
I had the pleasure of knowing Lyle when he came to our family farm each day to pick up the bulk milk. I will always remember all those years greeting Lyle on the farm each morning when he came. Rain, sleet, or snow, he was there. He was always cheerful and very dependable at his job, as well as a very dear man. I can only imagine how many kids that he has seen grown. I am sure that every farm family in the county was very proud to have known & had the pleasure of doing business with Lyle. What a wonderful man. You are all in my thoughts and prayers, Ranee Krocker & family.

Ranee Krocker - June 02, 2015 at 09:18 AM

SL

“ *Very sorry to here of your Dad's passing, we are thinking of you during this difficult time, sending prayers your way.*

Sharry Love - June 01, 2015 at 09:26 PM

RW

“ *Dear Gerry,
Peg and I are so sorry for your loss, and for our loss of a true, sincere friend. You both have always been kind and friendly to us from the first that we purchased in Brook to Bay. That friendship will always be remembered and cherished.
We regret that we cannot be there with you at this time, but please know that we will be there in spirit, and that the two of you will always be special to us.
(The John Deere will never luck right without Lyle at the wheel on Monday mornings.)
Ron and Peg Wiseman*

Ron and Peg Wiseman - June 01, 2015 at 09:00 PM

MG

“ *Grandpa you are going to be missed so much! Thank you for being such a great example of hard work and integrity for all of us kids. I will miss your smile, your wink, your colorful vocabulary and your great stories. Love you always and forever.*

Michelle Gallagher - June 01, 2015 at 08:28 PM

PC

“ Patrick and Diana Craven purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Lyle R. Gallagher.

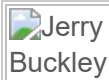


Patrick and Diana Craven - June 01, 2015 at 11:40 AM

NJ

“ We will remember Luke as a hard-working man of great integrity. His children and grandchildren have a wonderful model of a life well lived. Sending loving thoughts and prayers to all his family. So wish we could be with you to celebrate Luke's life.
Nancy and Dick Johnson

Nancy and Dick Johnson - June 01, 2015 at 09:57 AM



What a wonderful man. I enjoyed working for him, he was like a father to me. Jerry Buckley

Jerry Buckley - June 01, 2015 at 05:20 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Lyle R. Gallagher.



June 01, 2015 at 09:48 AM

SR

“ I'm going to miss you so much grandpa! I want to thank you for everything you have done for us and taught us throughout our lives. Hard work, loyalty, dedication and being strong through tough times are just a few of your lessons. Not to mention your colorful phrases! I am so proud to call you grandpa, and will miss you and your smile every day. We love you!

Sam, Kate, Sami and Jayce Russell - June 01, 2015 at 08:37 AM

BW

“ Praying for you all Gerry, You and Lyle have been a beautiful part of our family. You both watched us get married, raise our family and you were a great example of grandparents when your grandkids were playing sports. We will miss his smile and laughter and watching over all us dairy farmers from his truck. Thank you both for being amazing people. Jim and Bonnie Walter

Bonnie R Walter - June 01, 2015 at 07:35 AM

BH

“ Your family will be in my heart during this difficult time. I have known Mr. Gallagher since he coached my brother Larry's Little League Bears / Citizens Bank team in the early 60's. His smile , laugh and patience with those boys had a very positive impact on this little brother listening, watching and learning what a good man did with what little free time he had. He will be missed, but his laughter will live forever in our memories.

Bruce Hales

Bruce Hales - June 01, 2015 at 05:29 AM

JB

“ Gerry sorry to hear about Lyle passing. You guys made us feel like family when we visited with Bob and Norma in Florida.

Jim Buchanan

james buchanan - May 31, 2015 at 09:26 PM

 Kelley Eltzroth

“ Mr. Gallagher was the first person to welcome us to the neighborhood - the day we first looked at our house before we even bought it! We have loved his stories about Clare, Lake Shamrock, and the neighborhood over the years. Through him, we have made great relationships with neighbors that we cherish. Always an encouragement to our family, we will really miss him. Gerry - we hope you continue to watch the Tigers at night so we can watch from our back yard, and you come on out and have a Smores with us!

Kelley Eltzroth - May 31, 2015 at 02:04 PM

PY

“ Gerry, I want sooo much to give you a hug right now, but there are just too many miles between us. You and Lyle were always so good to me, and will always have a special place in my heart. Please know Gerry & I have you in our thoughts and prayers and we will treasure all the good memories. God be with you, Gerry & Peg

Peggy Yorks - May 31, 2015 at 11:10 AM

SL

“ My old friend, Lyle, will be greatly missed. Shuffleboard will not be the same in the future without him. Our thoughts and prayers to Gerry and family. Thelma & Sam Lloyd

Sam Lloyd - May 31, 2015 at 10:50 AM

BF

“ Gerry,
Both myself and George want to send you and your family our deepest sympathy. Lyle and his smile sure will be missed at by all at B2B.
Betty& George Frechette

Betty & George Frechette - May 31, 2015 at 09:35 AM



“ Gerry we are so sorry for you loss. We only had couple years with you two at Brooke to Bay but soon came to realize how special both of you are. Prayers go out to you and your family at this very difficult time.

Jerry & Janet McKillip



Janet Davidson McKillip - May 31, 2015 at 08:35 AM

SC

“ Lyle every time I ride my bike in Florida I think of you and the wood piece you made for my brake glad we had our fish fry and enjoyed your company I am sure there is no Ohio and Michigan up there til we meet Phil and I will miss you dearly.

Sandy & Phil Chalmers - May 31, 2015 at 08:08 AM

EM

“ Gerry, We are so sorry to hear about the loss of your Lyle. For the short time that we had the joy of knowing him, what a pleasure it was to have known such an outgoing man. Always friendly, talkative and a caring kind of a guy. We will miss him. May the Lord bless him and keep him in his care, and watch over you and your family.



Judy and Ed Meyer

Edward C Meyer - May 30, 2015 at 09:58 PM

DC

“ Our hearts go out to Luke's family--Gerry, Steve and Alison, Steph and Jim, Don, and all of his grandchildren. Luke was one of a kind--he will be deeply missed by his family and friends. Our memories of the farm, family gatherings, winters in Florida, and milk hauling adventures will always be special to Joel and I. We always enjoyed hearing of his escapades with his brother Bob(my Dad). Uncle Luke--you have a wonderful family and I know how proud you are of each of them. You and Gerry have created a wonderful branch to the Gallagher tree.

Diane Gallagher Colbry and Joel Colbry - May 30, 2015 at 08:41 PM

BA

“ A wonderful friend and neighbor, who will be greatly missed. We are so sorry for your loss. Lyle was such a genuinely nice man. Gerry, you are a very special person and a great life partner and strength for him. Know that we are thinking of you all....

Bob & Gerry Adams

Bob & Gerry Adams - May 30, 2015 at 07:51 PM