



## William "Bill" Sadenwater

November 19, 1945 - December 14, 2022

William "Bill" Sadenwater, age 77 of Lake, passed away suddenly on Wednesday, December 14, 2022 at his home. On November 19, 1945, Bill was born one of four children to Charles and Ines (Plank) Sadenwater in Saginaw, MI. Shortly after graduating from Saginaw Arthur Hill High School in 1963, Bill joined the U.S. Army during the Vietnam Era, having served two years overseas. At the conclusion of his service detail, Bill returned to Michigan where he called the Tri-City area home during his twenty-five plus year work career with Michigan Bell's Western Electric—later known as Lucent Technologies—as a telecommunications switch installer. After his retirement from Lucent in the mid 90's, Bill relocated to Lake, MI, where he enjoyed his peaceful cabin retreat. Bill had many interests and passions. In his younger years he enjoyed motorcycle riding, drag racing, partaking in civil war reenactments, and taking family trips and vacations—especially when they could be focused around a historic military site or history museum. He also greatly enjoyed older country and western music, gardening, and spending any chance he could with his grandchildren, however, those that knew Bill best could tell you of his voracious appetite for reading and studying military history.

Bill is survived by his son Jim (Esther) Sadenwater of Gaylord and his grandchildren Natalie Sadenwater of Freeland and Phillip Sadenwater of Gaylord. Bill is also survived by his daughter-in-law Bridget Sadenwater of Freeland, his step-grandson Joey (Samantha) Spalding of Saginaw, his sister

Susan Sadenwater of Freeland, and his aunt Dorothy Plank of IL. Bill was preceded in death by his parents Charles and Ines Sadenwater, his son Bob Sadenwater, and his siblings Elsie DeGroat and Charles Sadenwater.

In keeping with Bill's family wishes, cremation has taken place. A celebration of life service in honor of Bill will take place on Saturday, June 17, 2023 from 2 to 6 P.M. at the Hayes Park in Freeland. Memorial contributions in honor of Bill may be directed to the American Cancer Society. Online condolences may be shared on the Sadenwater family page at [www.stephenson-wyman.com](http://www.stephenson-wyman.com)

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

JUN 17. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Hayes Park  
9200 Midland Road  
Freeland, MI 48623