



## Charles Sam Ray

April 27, 1946 - November 22, 2016

Charles Sam Ray, 70, of Kalkaska, passed away on Tuesday, November 22, 2016. He was born to the late Edward and Helen (Makelewicz) Ray on April 27, 1946. Charles was a Veteran of the United States Marine Corp who earned a Purple Heart. He will be remembered as a hard worker and a good provider who took care of his own children as well as others. Charles was also a skilled carpenter and did siding and trim work most of his life. He also like to watch TV, go fishing, and make things like bird houses and jewelry boxes for his family. Charles is survived by his wife of 27 years, Frances (Coffey), 2 sons; Wade and Jason Ray, Step children; Jane and Rick Bannister, Grandchildren; Tosha Bannister, Shelby Ray, Kayla Ray, Morgan Ray, JT Ray, AJ Ray, Chris Spicer, Brent Spicer, Nicole Spicer, Brad Spicer and Jacob Ray, Great Grandchild River Brumfield and 2 sisters; Gerry and Elizabeth. Charles was preceded in death by his parents, brother Carl Ray and step daughter Tina Bannister. Visitation will take place on Saturday, November 26, 2016 at 12 pm with the Funeral Service following at 1 pm, Pastor Bill Kuiper officiating. Memorial Contributions may be made in Charles' honor to the Evergreen Bible Baptist Church. Arrangements entrusted to Kalkaska Funeral Home and Cremation Services.

# Previous Events

## Final Visitation

NOV **26**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Kalkaska Funeral Home  
152 S Cedar St  
P.O. Box 1457  
Kalkaska, MI 49646

## Service

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Throughout everything over the years we were able to remain friends. For that I am grateful. Rest In Peace & be proud of your sons.

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**jill** - November 24, 2016 at 12:22 AM

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“ This was very unexpected,the man struggled with health problems for some time now,he was my father,but also one of the best friends I've even had,he taught me everything he knew,and always tried his best to be a good father,i love you with all my heart dad,you will never be forgotten,thank you for your time and love,i will carry you with me everyday,until I see you again dad we all love you and miss you. Love. Wade ray

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**Wade ray** - November 23, 2016 at 07:06 PM