



Franklin Clouse

October 21, 1944 - December 1, 2022

Franklin Clouse, 78, of Traverse City, passed away peacefully in his sleep after a long battle with lung cancer on December 1st, 2022. Franklin was born October 21, 1944 in Arjay, Kentucky. Frank was an oil field man, operating engineer, gas station owner, and many other jobs, but his passion was building. He was the owner of Clouse Construction for 50 years. There are many beautiful homes he built in Kalkaska and Traverse City that his family can drive by and enjoy. He also built beautiful homes for his two children. He married the love of his life, Carol Childs on November 21, 1964. Above all else, Frank cherished his family. There wasn't anything he wouldn't do for his children and grandchildren. He was often seen wearing his many "pawpy" t-shirts. Franklin is survived by his wife Carol; children Clark Clouse and Kay (Mike) Alfonso; his pride and joy three grandchildren Tyler Lyon, Megan Alfonso and Grant Alfonso; adopted in love granddaughters Janet, Esther, Victoria and Andrea; loving brothers and sisters-in-law; nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Clark and Lucy Clouse; 14 brothers and one sister. Per Franklin's wishes, a celebration of life will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, the family would like you to consider a donation to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital for their wonderful work. Arrangements have been entrusted to Kalkaska Funeral Home and Cremation Services.