



Lawrence Frederick Francis

March 10, 1954 - December 4, 2019

On Wednesday, December 4th, 2019, Lawrence (Larry) Frederick Francis, loving husband and father, passed away at the age of 65.

Larry was born on March 10, 1954 in Petoskey MI to Theodore and Beatrice (Haney) Francis. Larry married the love of his life, Vickie Blake on July 13, 1993. They raised three sons, Todd, Trin, Scott and one daughter Sarah. He was deeply loved and will be greatly missed.

Larry was an avid hunter who enjoyed nature. His love of nature led him out west where he lived in Wyoming, having a cabin in the mountains where he could relax and enjoy life with his loving wife Vickie. Larry was committed to his family, moving back to Michigan in his later years to be closer to the ones he loved. Larry served as the president of the Alba school board, taking great joy in being able to hand out diplomas to two of his children, Sarah and Scott. Larry was also dedicated to his community in other ways, such as serving as a volunteer firefighter for many years. Larry was also a loyal and devoted worker. He started his career in the oilfield at a young age. Through the years, Larry worked his way up through the different jobs, becoming a consultant in his last years of service.

Larry was preceded in death by his parents Ted and Bea Francis of Elmira MI. He is survived by his wife Vickie, his brothers David (Beta) and Paul (Cindy),

sister Ann (Ed), his children Todd (Noreen), Sarah (Don), Trin (Billie) and Scott (Suzanne). In addition, Larry will be missed by his grandchildren, David, Danny, Evan, Devon, Darren, Nick, Warren, Jerrica, Bryce, Reese, Shelby, Lydia, Stella, Scarlett and Sullivan and great grandchildren, Natilie, Lily and Evelyn.

Larry's funeral will be Friday, December 13, 2019 at the Kalkaska Funeral Home, 152 S. Cedar Street, Kalkaska MI. There will be a visitation from 10:30-12:00 followed by memorial service, 12:00-1:00. There will be a luncheon following the service at the Kalkaska United Methodist Church.

Previous Events

Memorial Gathering

DEC 13. 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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

Memorial Service

DEC 13. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ It was nearly 30 years ago when I first met Larry on a job we were on in Canada. He soon became Father Francis to all of us. With his dedication & work ethic he soon gained the respect of everyone involved on the project, all the way to the supervisors at General Chemical. I have met a lot of people in my 40 years in the oilfield, I am glad to have met Larry, & call him a friend.

Father Francis you will be missed!

*Our condolences to your family.
Larry W. Chernik & family*

Larry Chernik - December 20, 2019 at 09:26 AM

VI

Thank you so much. He spoke often about you. Vickie Blake-Francis

Vickie - January 02, 2020 at 03:44 PM

JP

“ Ann you and your family are in our prayers, so very sorry for your loss. Larry lives on in your memories.



Joe & Marie Prebenda - December 14, 2019 at 08:49 AM

LA

“ Larry and Allie Albrecht purchased the The Endless Sky Spray for the family of Lawrence Frederick Francis.



Larry and Allie Albrecht - December 09, 2019 at 08:37 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Lawrence Frederick Francis.



December 09, 2019 at 05:01 PM

GB

“ Gail Boers lit a candle in memory of Lawrence Frederick Francis



Gail Boers - December 09, 2019 at 02:55 PM

TM

“ Troy Busha, Lisa, Kyleigh & Kaylyn Merta purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Lawrence Frederick Francis.



Troy Busha, Lisa, Kyleigh & Kaylyn Merta - December 09, 2019 at 01:52 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Lawrence Frederick Francis.



December 09, 2019 at 01:14 PM



“ *Coley, Russ and Linda McLean* purchased the *Emerald Garden Basket* for the family of Lawrence Frederick Francis.



Coley, Russ and Linda McLean - December 09, 2019 at 12:59 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness* was purchased for the family of Lawrence Frederick Francis.



December 09, 2019 at 12:48 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Lawrence Frederick Francis.



December 09, 2019 at 11:37 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lawrence Frederick Francis.* ”



December 09, 2019 at 09:50 AM