



## Richard E. Sheppard Sr

January 20, 1942 - December 24, 2019

Richard E. Sheppard Sr., 77, of Kalkaska Mi, went home to be with the Lord he served for all of his life on December 24, 2019. Richard (Dick) was born January 20, 1942 to the late Calvin F. Sheppard Sr. and Gladys (Van Sickle) Sheppard. He is survived by 3 siblings, Calvin Sheppard Jr, Judith (Sheppard) Prince, and Laura (Sheppard) Lewis. He was preceded in death by two siblings Paul and Douglas Sheppard. He married Carolyn Louise Anderson who survives him, June 30, 1962. Dick felt blessed with his 3 children, Richard E. (Jonell) Sheppard Jr., David M. (Ruth) Sheppard, and Patricia C. (Anthony) Bartelson. He is “grandpa” to Katelynn (Matt) Kilroy, Meghan Sheppard, Caleb Bartelson, and Ethan Bartelson. He was the proud great grandfather to Matthew and Hayden Kilroy.

Dick loved his family and loved to work with children. His whole adult life was spent teaching children the love of Jesus with his wife Carolyn in Jr. Church, Sparks and Cubbies Awana. He loved to give out hugs to children and was quick to poke a rib to get a giggle or a smile. He loved to hunt and fish with his family when he had the chance and feed his birds and deer around his home.

The funeral service will be held January 3, 2020 at the East Bay Calvary Church in Traverse City Michigan. Visitation will be 12:00pm -1:30pm and the funeral service will start at 1:30pm. Donations may be made to the East Bay Calvary Church Cubbies program.



# Tribute Wall



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Richard E. Sheppard Sr.*



January 03, 2020 at 08:49 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Richard E. Sheppard Sr.*



January 02, 2020 at 10:24 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Richard E. Sheppard Sr.*



January 02, 2020 at 08:06 AM



“ *Richard was in my class at GRSBM. He loved the Lord and his Word and I am thankful to have known him for a brief time . Sincere condolences to the family. We sorrow not as others who have no hope.*

*Charlotte ( Lindgren) Stucki*

**charlotte stucki** - December 31, 2019 at 04:56 AM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Richard E. Sheppard Sr.*



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December 30, 2019 at 09:20 AM



“ *I am honored to have known and cared for Richard over the last 2 years. We loved him on his good days and even more on his bad. He will forever be in our hearts and memories.*

*Always remembering,  
Misty Metzger and your  
Arbor Grove Family*

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**Misty** - December 29, 2019 at 06:17 PM



“ *My last memory of Dick, we sang in a young mens choral group. When we were teenagers W.O. W . Dick Carr.*

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**Carr** - December 29, 2019 at 01:58 PM



“ *Dick was a wonderful human being and I am blessed to have known him, to have been his neighbor, and to have been able to call him my friend. I have many fond memories of spending time with Dick, Carolyn and Meghan. He made the world a better place and he will be missed. He touched many lives with his kindness, humor, and and Godly spirit. Rest in peace Dick. May we meet again.*

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**Jennifer Pavlat** - December 27, 2019 at 07:44 PM



“ *I remember dick coming into the Eden center when his mother was in LTC.. I worked in the beauty shop there and he along with his wife would bring Gladys down to me each week and stay while I did her hair... We shared many stories about our families. He was a thoughtful Man. May God comfort all of the people who loved him*



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**Patti Bury** - December 27, 2019 at 11:38 AM