



Rodney E. Guy

October 3, 1948 - March 8, 2020

Rodney Earl Guy, 71, of Rapid City, passed away peacefully at home surrounded by his loving family on March 8th, 2020 after a courageous 17-month battle with liver cancer. Born October 3rd, 1948 in Traverse City, he was the son of Lester and Marion (Barber) Guy. Rodney resided in Rapid City his whole life. After graduating from Kalkaska High School in 1966 he attended Ferris State University where he graduated with a bachelor degree in microbiology in 1975. On August 28th, 1976, in Traverse City he married the love of his life Vanessa (Yankee) Guy. Rodney worked at Chef Pierre and Sara Lee as a microbiologists and retired after 35 years in 2010. He also served as Deputy Treasurer for Clearwater Twp. from 1993 until 2000. After retirement he served on the Kalkaska Board of Commission from 2013 until 2016. Rodney was an active mason for many years at the Masonic East Bay Lodge. His pride and joy though, was spending time with his grandchildren. He felt fortunate that all of his grandchildren lived close by and was able to visit with them on almost a daily basis. He also enjoyed using his talent in his wood shop to make anything from desks, small tables, to flower planters for all of his family. Rodney loved his family more than anything and always put them before himself. He will be missed tremendously by everyone that knew him. Rodney is survived by his wife and soulmate of over 43 years Vanessa, his daughter Kristine Stanula and her fiance Ben Biallas of Alden, his son Jonathan (Ashley) Guy of Rapid City, loving grandchildren Ethan, Bentley, Austin, Abby, and Carly, brother Gerald Guy of Kalkaska, sisters Nadean

(Fred) Elliott of Ada, Sandy (Tracy) Mariage of Williamsburg, Kristy Guy of Maggie Valley, North Carolina, along with many nieces and nephews. He was proceeded in death by his parents Lester and Marion Guy, and his sister Gay Mann.

A memorial service with close family and friends will take place at a later date.

In remembrance of Rodney, memorials may be directed to New Hope Community Church, 5100 Bethesda Court, Williamsburg, MI 49690.

Arrangements were made by Kalkaska Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall

KC

“ *Kathy Campbell lit a candle in memory of Rodney E. Guy*



Kathy Campbell - March 28, 2020 at 11:17 AM

DK

“ *I'm very sorry to hear of Rod's passing. Vanessa, my heart felt prayers of comfort for you and your family during this time of grieving. The plan of salvation from our loving Heavenly Father, made possible through the atoning sacrifice of our savior Jesus Christ, I believe that families can be together forever and that we will be joined with our loved ones upon our own passing.*

I enjoyed my time with Rod as we served on the board of commissioners, He was a soft spoken man and I appreciated the calm way he made his opinions known and his subtle humor was part of our ongoing conversations.

*My love and prayers,
Deb Kimball*

Debra Kimball - March 25, 2020 at 08:59 PM

DG

“ *So sorry Vanessa and family your Husband and Father was a very good man. Sending out Prayers for you to ease your pain.*

David B Grimm - March 12, 2020 at 12:50 PM

TB

“ Vanessa and family, we are so sorry to hear of Rodney's passing. He was a special person, friend and classmate, he will be greatly missed. Love, thoughts and prayers to all of you.

Linda & Terry Bennett

Terry & Linda Bennett - March 12, 2020 at 08:35 AM

EL

“ So VERY SORRY for your loss!!!!

Ellen - March 12, 2020 at 05:10 AM

SL

“ Vanessa, I am so sorry for you loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. If you need anything, please call. I'm good for hugs. May Rod Rest In Peace. Much love Sandy

Sandy Lepla - March 11, 2020 at 07:38 PM

CI

“ To the family: So sorry to hear this. I know he will be missed. Love and prayers to all of you.

Cindy Ingalls - March 11, 2020 at 06:35 PM



“ DiDi Coleman lit a candle in memory of Rodney E. Guy



DiDi Coleman - March 11, 2020 at 05:33 PM

JP

“ Dear Vanessa, Kristine, Jon and family,
We are saddened to learn of Rod's passing. What a wonderful man he was. He will be missed by so many. Our prayers and thoughts are with you now. May God comfort and heal your broken hearts.
Love and hugs.

Jan and Steve Paulus - March 11, 2020 at 01:03 PM

BE

“ I am so sorry for the loss you all have shared . My prayers continue to go out to all the family and friends

Bettyjo - March 11, 2020 at 09:45 AM

MS

“ Vanessa and family know my thoughts and prayers are with you all. God has an awesome angel in his arms and we all know we shall see him again. May our Heavenly Father comfort you and may your many great memories bring you comfort and peace. Hugs! Mary Slick

Mary Slick - March 11, 2020 at 09:34 AM