



Carl Garth Rowland

October 5, 1933 - April 3, 2025

Carl Garth Rowland born October 5, 1933 to the late Carl B. and Imogene (Smith) Rowland in Casper, Wyoming. On June 29, 1957 he married Shirley Ann Yesh in Bronson, Michigan. He moved to Michigan as an infant and grew up in the Detroit, Ann Arbor, and Hamburg communities. Carl graduated from Ann Arbor High School in 1953 and Western Michigan University in 1958. He taught Vocational Machine Shop in Marysville, Michigan and then the Lansing Public School System at Sexton, Eastern, and Harry Hill before retiring in 1990. Carl placed many of his students in the area tool shops from his program. He was a member of St. Michael Catholic Church in Grand Ledge. His hobbies included working in his own machine shop, hunting, fishing, reading, building and flying model airplanes, traveling and especially enjoyed his children and grandchildren.

He leaves his wife, Shirley; daughters, Colleen Rowland of Lansing, Georgia Sumkowski of Jackson; sons, Clair (Kellie) Rowland of Byron Center, Keith (Lisa) Rowland of Charlotte, and Gordon Rowland of Delton; grandchildren, Kyle, Cameron, Tyler, Cody, Garrett, Skyler, Samantha, Stacie, and Grace; great-grandchildren, Aydin, Maysn, Trynity, John, Bo, Leah, and Lauren; sisters, Judy Cain and Cheri (Terry) Rice, and brother-in-law Mark LaChance. Carl was preceded in death by sisters, Patricia Truhn, Laurie LaChance, and Virginia Valentine; brother, Larry Rowland, sister-in-law, Carol Rowland, son-in-law, Steve Sumkowski; brothers-in-law, Gerald Truhn, Jim Cain, and Bob Valentine.

A Funeral Mass will be celebrated Thursday, April 10, 2025, 11:00 AM at St. Michael Catholic Church, Grand Ledge by Father James Eisele. You may watch the funeral mass for Carl at 11:00 am Thursday on the St. Michael Church YouTube channel at this link: https://www.youtube.com/live/U_Qz_x_1WIU. Visitation will be at the church Thursday one hour prior to the mass. Memorial contributions may be given to the Shriners Hospitals for Children, P.O. Box 1525, Ranson, West Virginia 25438 (<https://www.shrinerschildrens.org/en/locations/chicago?campaign=655734>) or St. Michael Catholic School, 345 Edwards Street, Grand Ledge, Michigan 48837 (<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/Giving/stm345273/SCHOOLK8>). Arrangements by the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. Share your memories and condolences online at www.holihanatkin.com

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **10**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Saint Michael Catholic Church
345 Edwards Street
Grand Ledge, MI 48837

Funeral Mass

APR **10**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mary, Joe, Pete & families purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Carl Garth Rowland.* ”



Mary, Joe, Pete & families - April 09, 2025 at 07:31 PM



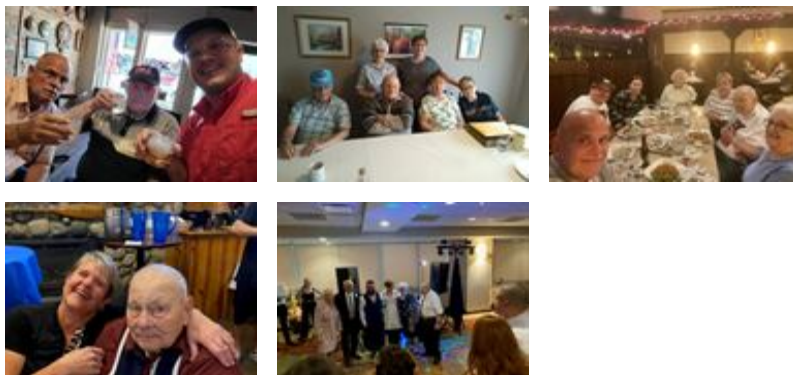
“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Carl Garth Rowland.* ”



April 09, 2025 at 09:13 AM



“ *98 files added to the album Life Tributes* ”



Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home - April 08, 2025 at 03:20 PM

BJ

“ *Mr Rowland was my shop teacher at Sexton back in '71. I must say that he genuinely cared for his students...hence his students (most anyway) respected him. I learned a good bit from Mr. Rowland...not just shop. Ran into him years later in a restaurant and I just had to say hi...he remembered me! Remembered I joined the navy after school. I was amazed. He was a good man! The craziest thing is that I thought about him while reading the Sunday paper and assumed he had probably passed by now...and now here is his obit. R.I.P. Mr. Rowland...you were one of the good guys. Peace and heartfelt condolences to his family.*

Brian Dollman Jersey - April 08, 2025 at 05:59 AM

CW

“ *Chad, Casey and Brice Walsh purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Carl Garth Rowland.*



Chad, Casey and Brice Walsh - April 07, 2025 at 09:55 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Carl Garth Rowland.*



April 07, 2025 at 07:35 PM

BF

“ *Bill and Vicki Reck and family. purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Carl Garth Rowland.*



Bill and Vicki Reck and family. - April 07, 2025 at 05:08 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Carl Garth Rowland.*



April 07, 2025 at 02:25 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Carl Garth Rowland.*

April 07, 2025 at 02:25 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Carl Garth Rowland.*



April 07, 2025 at 11:28 AM

BA

“ *Brian & Lauren Arendt purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Carl Garth Rowland.*



Brian & Lauren Arendt - April 07, 2025 at 10:56 AM

EF

“ *E. Truhn & Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Carl Garth Rowland.*



E. Truhn & Family - April 06, 2025 at 08:25 PM

LD

“ *Garth was such a great guy. He will be missed by so many people. Our families had some good times over the years. He gave me the sweetest blonde beagle that I named Brady Quinn. Sending hugs and prayers to Shirley and the kids. Rest easy Garth.*

Lisa Dye - April 06, 2025 at 10:54 AM

JS

“ *Janet Schultz lit a candle in memory of Carl Rowland*



Janet Schultz - April 05, 2025 at 09:15 PM