



Ervin Emmett Starr

February 28, 1928 - January 10, 2024

Ervin Emmett Starr, lifelong Grand Ledge resident, passed away January 10, 2024 with his loving family by his side. He was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle and friend who will be greatly missed by all who knew him. Erv was born on February 28, 1928 in Delta Township, Michigan to the late John Ervin and Abigail (Dailey) Starr. He graduated from Grand Ledge High School in the Class of 1946. While still continuing to farm, Erv worked a career that spanned twenty-one years for Oldsmobile, retiring in 1997; although, he was born and raised a farmer at heart. He looked forward to, and loved time spent with his family during holidays, special occasions, and especially at the cottage in Lake City. There were many traditions and precious memories created at Lake Missaukee, culminating every year when the whole family came up for the Greatest Fourth in the North. Erv was a ball of energy and liked to keep busy whether it was “puttering” in the yard, “doing chores”, selflessly taking care of others, and generally never sitting down. He was a master story-teller, loved to tell bad jokes, and enjoyed big band music, especially Glenn Miller. Erv was a lifelong learner who enjoyed history, especially the WW II era. He had a penchant for Little Debbies and almost any flavor pie. Erv loved to play cards and looked forward to his monthly euchre club with the same friends for over 50 years. He was a devoted and lifelong member of St. Michael Catholic Church.

He is survived by his loving wife of over 56 years, Karlene Kay (Irish); children, Theresa Starr of Grand Rapids, Scott (Cathy) Starr of Grand Ledge;

grandchildren, Abigail, Nicholas, Gabriel and Christina Starr; brother, Ronald (Cappi) Starr of Grand Ledge. Erv was preceded in death by his beloved twin brother, Alvin and sisters, Kathleen Bassett and Roberta McCully.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Tuesday, January 16, 2024, 11:00 AM at St. Michael Catholic Church, Grand Ledge by Father James Eisele. You may watch the funeral mass for Erv at 11:00 am Tuesday on the St. Michael Church YouTube channel at this link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n2Ya2wd9hUo>. Rite of Committal to follow at Oakwood Cemetery.

Visitation will be Monday, January 15, 2024 from 2-4:00 PM and 5-7:00 PM with a Rosary at 6:30 PM at the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge and Tuesday at the church from 10-11:00 AM. Memorial contributions in Erv's name may be given to Mother Teresa House, P.O. Box 13004, Lansing, Michigan 48901 (<https://motherteresahouse.org/how-can-i-help/financial-support/?form=FUNXDCKRMYK>) or the Grand Ledge SDA Food and Clothing Pantry, 4980 Burt Avenue, Grand Ledge, Michigan 48837. Share your memories and condolences online at www.holihanatkin.com

Cemetery Details

Oakwood Cemetery

299 Halbert Street
Grand Ledge, MI 48837

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 15. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home & Cremation Services
406 N. Bridge Street
Grand Ledge, MI 48837
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Visitation

JAN 15. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Rosary

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Visitation

JAN 16. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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

Mass of Christian Burial

JAN 16. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

JS

“ Clare Greene sends his condolences and remembers when Ervin was the best man at his wedding on May 4th, 1963 at St. Cornelius and Cyprian church in Bunker Hill.

Julie Stenske - January 15, 2024 at 03:03 PM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Ervin Emmett Starr.



January 15, 2024 at 09:52 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ervin Emmett Starr.



January 14, 2024 at 07:54 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ervin Emmett Starr.



January 14, 2024 at 06:57 PM

KS

“ One of the nicest gentleman I have had the pleasure to meet and become a friend of. Loved our visits and talks at his cottage. Ken and Nita Siefert

Ken and Nita Siefert - January 14, 2024 at 01:37 PM

GR

“ Gary and Brenda Randall purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Ervin Emmett Starr.



Gary and Brenda Randall - January 13, 2024 at 01:35 PM

FM

“ So sorry to hear the news. Erv is one of those steady presence and influences you think will always be there. Always enjoyed my time with Erv and the family. Great all-around man.

Fr Bob McGraw - January 13, 2024 at 11:40 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Ervin Emmett Starr.



January 13, 2024 at 12:06 AM

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“ *Speaker Joe Tate and Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ervin Emmett Starr.*

Speaker Joe Tate and Team - January 12, 2024 at 08:58 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ervin Emmett Starr.*



January 12, 2024 at 08:58 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ervin Emmett Starr.*



January 12, 2024 at 06:29 PM

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“ *Jim and Sidney Irish planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ervin Emmett Starr.*

Jim and Sidney Irish - January 12, 2024 at 11:08 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ervin Emmett Starr.*



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“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Ervin Emmett Starr.*



January 12, 2024 at 10:23 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Ervin Emmett Starr.*



January 12, 2024 at 10:20 AM



“ *Kay, Theresa, sorry to hear that Erv passed away. He was one of the friendliest people I ever met and you enjoyed visiting with him. Prayers for you and the family. Marlene Tillery*

Marlene J Tillery - January 12, 2024 at 09:59 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of *Ervin Emmett Starr*.



January 12, 2024 at 09:48 AM