



## Ronald Rheo Gilmore

August 19, 1938 - November 27, 2020

Ronald Rheo Gilmore of Battle Creek formerly of Grand Ledge went to be with the Lord November 27, 2020 surrounded by his loving family. Ron was born August 19, 1938 in Fife Lake, Michigan to the late Rheo and Mary (Hejnal) Gilmore. He graduated from Fife Lake High School Class of 1956 and proudly served his country in the US Army during the Vietnam era. Ron worked as a Maintenance Supervisor for Fisher-Body for 42 ½ years, retiring in 1998. As a result of Ron's career in automobile manufacturing, he developed an appreciation for cars and enjoyed several trips to the Gilmore Car Museum. He was a great cook and baked specially themed cakes for almost every holiday throughout the year. He loved to spend time with his family and always looked forward to holidays, birthdays and special occasions. Ron was known as the "man behind the camera" who over the years has compiled an extensive library of special family moments in time that will be a visual family treasure for many years. He also loved to play the harmonica and keyboard. He will be remembered for his commitment to family and his faithfulness to God.

He is survived by his son, Randy (Julie); daughter, Rhonda (Jeff) Fracassi; grandchildren, Caitlin (Chris) Hurban, Brittany (John) Chesney, Brandon (Jolynn) Gilmore, Blake Barber, Brielle Barber and Isabella Fracassi; great grandchildren, Ronan and Lennox Hurban; siblings, Claudina Cowherd, Gary (Sandy) Gilmore and Beverly (Bob) Evans along with numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. Ron was preceded in death by his loving wife of 53

years, Sharon (Richardson) and sisters, Geraldine Gilmore and Carol Miller. A Celebration of Ron's Life will be held Saturday, July 10, 2021, 1:00 p.m. at the Fife Lake United Methodist Church. A Military graveside service will follow the memorial service at Clark Cemetery, Springfield Township, Kalkaska County, Michigan. Memorial contributions in Ron's name may be given to Family Life Radio, P.O. Box 35300, Tucson, Arizona 85740 (<https://www.myflr.org/flr-share-dec-main/>). Arrangements by the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

JUL 10. 1:00 PM (ET)

Fife Lake United Methodist Church  
206 Boyd Street  
Fife Lake, MI 49633

## Military Graveside Service

JUL 10. 2:00 PM (ET)

Clark Cemetery  
11052 Shippy Road SW  
Fife Lake, MI 49633

# Tribute Wall



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Ronald Rheo Gilmore.*



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“ *Dear Rhonda, Brittany, Blake, Brielle, and family, I was sorry to hear about the passing of your dad/ grandpa. He was such a caring, loving person. It was so clear that you were the focus of his life - he was always there for you, and such a great role model. I pray you can take comfort in knowing he is once again with your mom/grandma, and his big heart and great example live on in all of you.*

*Linda (Hoesl) Kline*

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