



## Sheldon L. Cochrane

February 1, 1944 - February 3, 2017

Sheldon Lewellyn Cochrane

Grand Ledge

February 1, 1944-February 3, 2017

Sheldon passed on Friday February 3, 2017 after a battle with cancer. He was surrounded by his loved ones throughout his struggle and held the hand of his first and only love as he took his last breath.

Born February 1, 1944 in South Lyons Michigan, Sheldon was a graduate of Mesick High school. Sheldon retired from General Motors after 36 years in 1999. He was a lover of golf and had become a skilled woodworker in his retirement, making many treasured gifts for his family. He loved to work in his yard, play card games, and enjoyed trips to the casino all with family and friends.

Sheldon was a loving father of three and proud grandfather to five grandchildren. Over the years, he could regularly be found on the bleachers supporting his kids and grandkids band, soccer, football or volleyball games, whistling and cheering for his favorite players.

His marriage to his bride, Marilyn (Abel) Cochrane was an example to all on what true love is. Married for nearly 54 years, they laughed, cried, struggled,

and triumphed always together.

He is survived by his wife Marilee (Abel) Cochrane; his siblings: Ron and Ella (Kibbee) of Mesick, Irene (Cochrane) Whaley of Sanford; three children: Robert and wife Bridgette (Morrison) Cochrane of Portland, Mabelle (Shellie) Cochrane and wife Cindy Wells of Grand Ledge, Sheldon Jr. (Skip) Cochrane and wife Sara (Miller) Cochrane of DeWitt; five grandchildren: Blake (Bridgette Mosher and daughter Ariel), Brock Cochrane (Megan Dallape), Jay Cochrane, Kelly Cochrane, Amy Cochrane and longtime friends Brian and Sharon Burgess.

Sheldon is preceded in death by his parents, Robert and Muriel Cochrane (Morris), his in-laws Erben and Norma (Benson) Abel, his sister Pat (Cochrane) Baxter, and sister in-law Jeanie Abel.

A celebration of Sheldon's life will be Saturday, February 11, 2017, 1 pm at the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. Inurnment to follow at Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens. Memorial gathering on Friday from 5-8 pm and Saturday from 12 -1 pm both at the funeral home . Donations can be made to the family.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 10. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home & Cremation Services  
406 N. Bridge Street  
Grand Ledge, MI 48837  
(517) 627-2531  
jasonbarclay@holihanatkin.com  
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## Visitation

FEB 11. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home & Cremation Services  
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## Service

FEB 11. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Sheldon L. Cochrane*



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**Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home** - February 14, 2017 at 07:55 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Sheldon L. Cochrane.*



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February 10, 2017 at 04:46 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Sheldon L. Cochrane.*



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February 10, 2017 at 10:33 AM



“ 1 file added to the album Sheldon



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Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home - February 09, 2017 at 01:20 PM



“ 55 files added to the album Sheldon



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Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home - February 09, 2017 at 11:12 AM

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“ Dear Marilee and Family,

*What wonderful memories I have of my years of school together with you and Sheldon. I can remember all the times and the fun we had together. The basketball games, the cheer-leading squad, band, student council, Bible Club meetings with Pastor Sundberg, etc.,*

*I can remember that you knew, I believe even in Jr. Hi., that someday you would marry Sheldon .*

*So sorry to hear of his illness and the suffering he endured. Dick and I have been praying for you and your family as you face this difficult time in your life. May your many good memories of your life with Sheldon be a great comfort to you and may God's comfort be your stay during this time. We will be praying.*

*MaryLee (Wiitala) Duncan*

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**MaryLee (Wiitala) Duncan** - February 08, 2017 at 12:27 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Sheldon L. Cochrane.*



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February 07, 2017 at 02:15 PM

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“ Love, Baxter Family- Clyde, Tracey, Chris & Lisa purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Sheldon L. Cochrane.



Love, Baxter Family- Clyde, Tracey, Chris & Lisa - February 07, 2017 at 06:33 AM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sheldon L. Cochrane.



February 06, 2017 at 02:39 PM

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“ I knew him for a number of years when we both worked at Plant Five. Always pleasant and a great team member. Will be missed.

Joe Thelen - February 06, 2017 at 07:41 AM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sheldon L. Cochrane.



February 05, 2017 at 09:15 PM

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“ *He was a very kind, loving and easy going man. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him.* ”

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**Kim Randall** - February 05, 2017 at 07:47 PM