



Randall R. Beard

September 25, 1953 - November 24, 2020

Randall Robert Beard aged 67 of Pickford passed away on Tuesday, November 24, 2020. Randy was born on September 25, 1953 in Ludington, the son of Robert W. and Mildred K. (Wegren) Beard and grew up south of Scottville near Pentwater. Randy graduated from Mason County Central High School with the class of 1971 and earned his Associates Degree from West Shore Community College. After attending Michigan State University, he earned his Bachelor Degree from Ferris State University. On August 5, 1989 he married Tamyra A. Abel in Sault Ste. Marie and they celebrated nearly 30 years together before Tamyra preceded him in death on April 27, 2018. Randy was also preceded in death by his father Robert.

Randy and Tamyra lived in Pickford where they raised their children Tara, Matthew, and Stacey. Randy owned and operated the Pickford Elevator for many years before switching gears to work with the State of Michigan at the Newberry and Kinross Correctional Facilities. With his background in farming, Randy oversaw the agricultural area at the facilities. With his career always based around agriculture, Randy was able to show his passion with ease and work with something he truly loved. He also loved to spend as much time as possible fishing and one could often find him working on anything involving mechanics. Randy also loved writing and spent countless hours at his computer writing opinion pieces for local newspapers and outdoor enthusiast magazines. He was a hard worker but looked for ways to help others and make a difference no matter how small. Compassionate and naturally giving, he was very generous with his time and resources.

Randy will be greatly missed by his children Tara, Matthew, and Stacey Beard all of Pickford; his granddaughter Annalyn Arbic; his mother Mildred Beard of Pentwater; his brother and best friend Steve Beard of Pentwater and his sister Joni Petersen of Ludington; his niece Sierra Petersen of Chicago, and his nephew George Petersen of Ludington.

Private family graveside services will be held at Pentwater Cemetery at a later date. No other services are planned at this time. Those who would like to remember Randy with a

memorial donation are asked to consider a local charity that will benefit others during this season.

Cemetery Details

Pentwater Township Cemetery

8060 US-31
Pentwater, MI 49449

Tribute Wall

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“ *What a sweet man. He used to visit me at the Extension office in Scottville when he was in town.*

Donna Sanders - December 10, 2020 at 07:54 AM

GC

“ *Randy was such a wonderful person. Always had time to talk no matter what he had going. :) Always missed him at the Feed mill after he sold it. I'm sure everyone will miss him a lot. G. J. Crocker*

G J Crocker - December 06, 2020 at 02:46 PM

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“ *I did not know Randy very well, only met him very briefly. But I did know Bob, Millie, and Steve quite well, I am one of your cousins. I took a sympathy card over to the house, but it appeared that Steve and Millie had already departed for spending the winter down in Florida? In any case, my thoughts and prayers are with you during this bad time, and all my best wishes to you all. Your cousin, Dave Sherburn*

Dave Sherburn - December 04, 2020 at 08:11 AM

JA

“ *JAL lit a candle in memory of Randall R. Beard*



JAL - December 03, 2020 at 12:42 PM

JA

*May all who go before us light the way for us to follow.
NAMASTE*

JAL - December 03, 2020 at 12:44 PM

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“ *Words cannot express your family's loss of such a dear man as Randy
Always kind, considerate and with a smile for everyone.
Our prayers and thoughts are with all of you at this time.
May God Bless You And Those You Love and Keep You Safe.*

Colleen Ann Klingler - November 26, 2020 at 07:05 AM