



Kenneth (Ken) Allen Bauman, 85, of Manistee, MI, passed away peacefully in his home on July 27, 2024, surrounded by his family.

Ken was born on September 11, 1938 to Mark and June (Cooper) Bauman in Manistee, MI. He attended school in Manistee and graduated from Manistee High in 1956.

Ken was drafted in the Army, serving his country from 1962 until 1964. After returning home, he married his beloved wife Sue (Clifton), on February 22, 1964.

Ken worked for many companies throughout his lifetime including, Manistee Tobacco and Candy, Summoner Solid, Century Boat, Glen of Michigan and Noud Lumber. He then worked for and retired from P.C.A. after 38 years of hard work and devotion. After retirement he spent some time doing maintenance for Kmart as a side hobby.

Because of his love for socializing, his grandson and granddaughter would call him the honorary Mayor of Manistee.

After all his years of hard work, Ken enjoyed helping his sons with their many projects or taking a quick trip with them to Home Depot. Ken also enjoyed wood carving, playing the steel guitar, working on puzzles, listening to old time country music, camping, soaking up the sun, spending time at the casino, socializing and drinking coffee with his friends at McDonald's and especially enjoyed time with his family and his grand dog. Maya, Maggie, Billie, Morris and Otis.

Ken leaves behind wife Sue of 60 years, four sons and their spouses Michael and Terri, Kevin and Karen, Gary and Jane and Shawn and Kelly. Grandchildren, Sarah, Alyssa and John, Emily and Calvin, Ashely and Tim, Matthew, Nicholas and Laura, Evan and Ashley, and Payton. Great grandchildren, Madilyn, Gunner, Dylan, Zander, Easton and Evelyn. Sister Lois Griswold, brother-in-law Leo Niezgucki and many loving nieces and nephews

Ken was predeceased by his daughter Karen, parents Mark and June Bauman, siblings Eileen and Ken Hawkins, Carol Jean and Ron Jozwiak, brother-in-law Dick Griswold, in-laws John and Alexzena Clifton, brother-in-law Gary Clifton, and sister-in-law Julie Niezgucki.

Ken will always be remembered for his kind and gentle ways. He was deeply adored by his family and friends, and will forever be in their hearts. Ken could always be heard saying "I feel wonderful, I have no pain" all while giving the thumbs-up.

Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated at 11:30 a.m. on Friday August 9, 2024 at Guardian Angels Catholic Church in Manistee with Reverend James Bearss celebrant, where members of the Manistee County United Veterans Council Ritual Squad will conduct Military Honors. A luncheon will follow the mass at the St. Joseph Parish Center.

The family will be at the church on Friday morning at 10:30 a.m. to receive family and friends.

The family would especially like to thank the ladies of Munson Chemotherapy and Infusion of Manistee, and the ladies of Sit and Fit, for all their love and support.

The Herbert Funeral Home of Manistee is in charge of his funeral arrangements.