



## Karl William Yentz

July 1, 1942 - April 10, 2020

Karl William Yentz, 77 years, of Monroe, Michigan went home to be with the Lord on Good Friday, April 10th, 2020. Karl died unexpectedly at his home after returning from several months of rehabilitation at Fountainview of Monroe.

Born on July 1st, 1942, in Monroe, Michigan. Karl is the son of Carl and Irma (Schultz) Yentz. Karl grew up in Monroe, Michigan and attended Monroe High School class of 1960, where he was an accomplished swimmer. He then went on to attend Bowling Green University in Ohio.

Karl began his career in the Automotive Industry working for Chevrolet Hydromantic in Toledo, Ohio, while attending college. He soon transferred to Ford Motor Company, Woodhaven, Michigan, as Tool and Die Journeyman. He was elected and served as a Union Committee Representative and Job Security Representative for Local 387 until his retirement in 2000.

Karl was an active outdoor sportsman who enjoyed hunting, fishing, and boating. He was a lifetime member of both Canvasback Gun Club and Monroe Rod and Gun Club as well as a member of the Moose and Detroit Beach Boat Club. He enjoyed traveling and wintering in Florida with Reva where he served as President of the Highland Park Homeowners Association. An avid reader, Karl never picked up a western novel that he did not enjoy.

Karl was a life-long member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Monroe where he attended Elementary School. Karl was adored by so many for his ability to stay connected with friends and family with frequent phone calls to the many people he so dearly cared about. Most of all Karl cherished his wife Reva to whom he wrote "You are my wonderful wife, a great caregiver, and the person who fills my day with beautiful thoughts and good feelings ... you're my life, my love, and my best friend ... I hope this is something you can look at and read every once in a while, so you'll know how much I really care."

Karl is survived by his beloved wife Reva Cole-Yentz of Monroe, a sister Carolyn (Yentz) Bosman, Robert Bosman of Carolina Shores NC, Judith (Grove) Yentz of Monroe the Mother of Karl's two sons, Fred Yentz, Christianne (Vacca) Yentz of Boca Raton, Florida and Paul Yentz, Angela (Patterson) Yentz of Monroe. Karl was also blessed with Reva's 4 adult children who he cherished and treated as his very own. 3 Sons: Michael Cole, Ellen

(Schmidt) Cole of Oklahoma, Jeffrey Cole, Kim (Chamlee) Cole of Florida, Bryan Cole, Nancy (Doyle) Cole of Texas. He was preceded in death by a daughter, Sharon Cole Lobzun, who was tragically taken from Reva and Karl in 2012 and survived by her husband, John Lobzun, of Monroe.

Karl was blessed with a large family including 18 grandchildren; Alessandra Yentz, Gregory Yentz, Michaella Yentz, Emily (Yentz) Mutter, Zechariah Yentz, Martin Cole, Steven Cole, Leah (Cole) Sandefer, Brittany (Cole) Hess, Tiffany (Cole) Foyt, Courtney Cole, Candace (Cole) Walters, Curtis Cole, Scott Cole, Bryanne (Cole) Stachlewitz, Ashley (Lobzun) Sulfaro, Whitney Lobzun, Bridget Lobzun, 15 Great Grandchildren, and the two puppies; Brandi and Maggie.

Due to the current public health concerns, visitation will be held at Bacarella Funeral Home, 1201 South Telegraph Road, from 11am to 2pm on Friday, April 17, 2020, in accordance with current social distancing rules. Viewing will be immediately followed by a private funeral service which will be available to the public via live stream services. You may attend services from the comfort of your own home by visiting the following link: <https://webcasts.lifetributes.com/1063742>. Services will be followed by a processional to Roselawn Memorial Park, LaSalle. The family is tentatively planning a celebration of Karl's life in conjunction with his next Birthday in early July, if social distancing restrictions are lifted and all can celebrate. Information will be shared via Facebook as the date approaches. It is a request of the family that donations in Karl's memory be made to Trinity Lutheran School in Monroe.

Online condolences and special memories may be shared with the family by visiting the obituary page at [www.bacarellafuneralhome.com](http://www.bacarellafuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery

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# Events

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## Roselawn Memorial Park

13200 S. Dixie Hwy.  
LaSalle, MI, 48145

**APR 17** Visitation 11:00AM - 02:00PM

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Bacarella Funeral Home, Inc.

Address: 1201 South Telegraph Road, Monroe, MI, US,  
48161

# Comments

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“ A tribute video has been added.



Bacarella Funeral Home, Inc. - April 18 at 10:59 AM

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“ A webcast video has been added.



Bacarella Funeral Home, Inc. - April 14 at 10:09 AM



“ There are no words to express the empty hole in my heart, but Karl deserves the attempt. Karl wasn't just my best friend, he was everyone's best friend. If you knew him, you loved him. Karl's helpful hand or wise advice was always just a phone call away. He would drop everything to help me or my family. I hope with all my heart, Karl felt our love and realized our loyalty. God had to make Karl the size he was, to carry around that huge heart. To say he will be missed is putting it lightly. My only solace is knowing God welcomed you with grace and beauty. Until we meet again my friend.

With the deepest sympathy

Bob, Sandy and Family

**Robert Humphrey** - April 14 at 06:10 PM

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“ Carl was a good friend and classmate of ours from the MHS Class of 1960. We didn't see him much since our high school days but when we would see him when back in Monroe it was as though we saw each other every day.

I spent many hour in the pool with Karl during our grueling practices, morning, noon, and after school. It seemed like he could go forever and always came up smiling. Now, he can go on forever.  
We'll miss you Karl,

John and Judy Gebhardt

John Gebhardt - April 17 at 11:19 AM

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“ Uplifting ALL for GOD's peace and comfort to overwhelm EACH of us as we mourn the loss of our SWEET Karl, who wore his many hats so well... LOVING Husband, Brother, Father, Grandfather, Great Grandfather, and FRIEND!!!!

Like a ship that's left its moorings  
And sails bravely out to sea,  
So Someone Dear has sailed away  
In calm Serenity,  
But there's promise of a greater joy  
Than Earth could have in store,  
For GOD has planned a richer life  
Beyond the Unseen Shore.

RIP... ♡U... In our hearts FOREVER!!!  
Steve and Gail Hinson

Steve and Gail Hinson - April 17 at 08:21 AM

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“ Riva, Fred and Paul. Sorry for your loss. Karl was great guy. Karl and Fred shared there skill and talent of fishing, hunting and cooking with our son David. Karl also helped our David and Fred build there bed at Michigan Tech. Karl shared his mom and dad with Dave who were great examples of family life. We will for ever remember Karl. Sam and Barb Liparoto

Sam and Barb Liparoto - April 16 at 04:22 PM



“ We are so sorry for your loss. Don and I didn't know him very well. But we feel your loss. We love you.

Don & micki - April 18 at 11:22 AM

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“ To Karl's loved ones:

Our sympathy to the family at the loss of Karl. I was reacquainted with Karl when he and Reva were married. It was a happy time for them with renewed faith and hope for the future. Also, a swimmer for the history books from Monroe. I pray that God's peace and comfort will be with you.  
David and Shelly Hehl

Dave Hehl - April 16 at 11:45 AM



“ Reva and Family,

So sorry to hear about Karl. He was a kind man and friend! Your in my thoughts and prayers , Beth Smith

**Beth Smith** - April 15 at 07:05 PM

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“ Karl and I were high school teammates on the swim squad back in 1957-1960. Somethimes after practice, we'd walk down 5th St. to his house at Navarre St. to sit and talk with his family about the day and all. I always felt unconditionally welcomed and accepted there by both him and his family. There was nothing pretentious about him, just honest friendship and respect.

Dick Becker  
Tecumseh, MI

**Richard Becker** - April 15 at 01:49 PM

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“ Mike, Wendy and Slater purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Karl William Yentz.



**Mike, Wendy and Slater** - April 15 at 01:18 PM

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“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Karl William Yentz.



April 14 at 07:06 PM

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“ So sorry for the loss of Karl. He was to us a friend beyond compare, who always made us feel welcome and special. His kindness and ability to see things through to their finish, never forgetting any detail. A sharp wit kept us smiling, his laugh contagious. We'll miss your frequent calls, if only to say "Hi, how ya doing?" Thank you, you will always be remembered with much fondness.  
Love,  
Lindsay & Bob Weaver and family

Lindsay & Bob Weaver - April 14 at 07:01 PM



“ Karl will be missed by us more than words can say. His genuine kindness, respect and love for his friends and family will be forever remembered. Karl always reached out to us to make us feel comfortable and respected. Always wanted to know if he could help with anything. Until we meet again Friend

Jon and Kimberly Langley - April 14 at 07:15 PM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Karl William Yentz.



April 14 at 03:54 PM



“ I am so sorry to hear of Karl's passing. We are losing too many of our classmates. My prayers go to the family for comfort at this trying time.

Bonnie Burkardt Blohm - April 14 at 03:47 PM



“ So very sorry to hear of Karl's passing. He was a wonderful husband, father, grandfather, brother and friend to many. He was a kind caring soul. We are keeping the entire family in our thoughts and prayers. He is gone but never forgotten.

All our love,

Scot and Linda Radcliffe

Scot Radcliffe - April 14 at 03:43 PM



“ Aunt Carolyn and Uncle Bob and family- I am so very sorry for your loss. We love and miss you. Heather, Lucas, & Zoie xoxo

**Heather Serwa** - April 14 at 02:48 PM

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“ Karl had a special place in mine and Daves heart.. He always had a smile and always gave the best hugs. He was a big teddy bear and touched everyone he met.. My heart goes out to Reva and her family they both showed everyone what true love was. Reva I hope you find strength and peace. Due to Dave's health and my work schedule we won't be able to attend Karl's viewing. Our hearts and love are with you.. Prayers and comfort. You two always had a special place in our heart. Praying that you remain strong and healthy.. Much love.. Dave and Denise Pates

**Denise Pages** - April 14 at 01:01 PM

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“ Kathryn, Coach Olson and family would like to send our heart felt condolences to Reva and family, Paul and Fred and their families. Karl was a very pleasant person always kind and always had a smile on his face . Karl will be missed by all that knew him. Thoughts and prayers go out to the families.

**Kathryn M. Olson** - April 14 at 12:52 PM