



Kerry R. McLenon

November 27, 1944 - September 5, 2018

Kerry R. McLenon, age 73 of Monroe, went home to be with the lord on Wednesday, September 5, 2018, in his home, surrounded by his loving family after a long battle with Progressive Supranuclear Palsy.

Born November 27, 1944 in Trenton, Michigan, he was the son of the late Clinton and Beatrice (Springstead) McLenon. Kerry attended Trenton High School, graduating with the class of 1962. He married Patricia (Langford) Braden on February 11, 2013 at Monroe Nazarene Church. Kerry was a life-long hockey player, beginning at the age of seven playing pond hockey in Gibraltar, Michigan and, later, proudly played for the New York Ranger's semi-professional team. He continued to play throughout his life until the age of sixty-six. Throughout Kerry's life he attended and completed several trade and training schools. He was employed with DTE Energy, formerly Detroit Edison Company, as a Shift Supervisor for forty-three years. After retiring from DTE, he worked for Wyandotte Municipal Services for five years.

For more than fifty years Kerry was a member of the Masonic Order. He regularly attended the Monroe Nazarene church. Kerry could fix anything and spent many hours restoring hot rods with his sons and was a member of the National Street Rod Association and Goodguys Rod and Custom Association. He loved his current hot rod, a 1937 Ford convertible that he built. Kerry enjoyed studying history, hunting, fishing, traveling "out west," and riding motorcycles.

To cherish his memory, Kerry leaves his loving wife, Patricia Braden-McLenon; three sons: Kerry L. (DiAnna) McLenon of Columbus, Michigan, Darran J. (Heather) McLenon of Monroe, and Rick (Shanel) McLenon of Salt Lake City, Utah; three step children: Steven M. (Tracey) Braden of Rockwood, Brenda (Don) Rice of Southgate, Michigan and Charles W. Jennifer) Braden of Newport; two siblings, Lenore (Mike) Barna of Romulas, Michigan and Mike (Jean) McLenon; and nine grandchildren: Kaitlyn (Tyler) Bastian, Colton McLenon, Casandra (Travis) Gerhardt, Natalie McLenon, Kaitlin Mueller, Nicholas Braden, Dylan Braden and Gaige Braden.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers, Frank "Buzz" McLenon and Tim McLenon.

In accordance with his wishes, cremation has taken place. Family and friends may visit

from 2 p.m. until 6 p.m. on Saturday, September 8, 2018, at Bacarella Funeral Home, 1201 South Telegraph Road, Monroe, MI, 48161, where a Memorial service celebrating his life will immediately follow. Rev. Rich Evans, Pastor of Monroe Nazarene Church, will officiate.

Memorial contributions in Kerry's memory are suggested to Progressive Supranuclear Palsy Association.

Online condolences, and special memories, may be shared with the family by visiting the obituary page at www.bacarellafuneralhome.com.

Events

SEP **Visitation** 02:00PM - 06:00PM

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SEP **Memorial Service** 06:00PM

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Comments



“ A tribute video has been added.



Bacarella Funeral Home, Inc. - September 08, 2018 at 01:53 PM



“ So Beautiful! ♡ FAMILY ♡ Where Life Begins and Love Never Ends. Shine Bright Our Angel Beloved Uncle Kerry! Love You! Until We Meet Again. Love the Family So Very Very Much! Love, Jodi Lee. ♡

Jodi - September 09, 2018 at 12:50 AM



“ Just saw this beautiful video celebration of life tribute, brought memories and tears of joy. The music choices are the best. RIP brother in law. Prayers for you Pat, sons and family

michelle mikki moffit - December 02, 2018 at 09:07 PM



“ I remember all the times when we are kid hanging out with mr. McClennen. He was always cracking a joke. Always talking about my pants where in my holey jeans on Sunday. Hopefully when you guys will get this. I'm hoping Darren gets this. Give me a call. This is John masserants. Call me at 734-799-6639. I have no other way of getting ahold of you.

John Masserant - September 09, 2018 at 07:44 PM



“ A piece of my heart is missing. Uncle Kerry was such a fun loving, kind & gentle hearted person. He made everyone around him comfortable. From his “passing of gas” to his sarcastic humor, he'll never be replaced! He always said to me, “I love you Joanie” & I would respond, “I love you more”. You are & will be deeply missed. May heaven open its gates to you. Soar high Uncle Kerry!

Love you more!

Forever in my heart, your niece Joanie

Joan Woodward - September 08, 2018 at 09:40 AM



“ Rick’s extended family in Utah purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Kerry R. McLenon.



Rick’s extended family in Utah - September 07, 2018 at 11:35 PM



“ Ever Upward Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kerry R. McLenon.



September 07, 2018 at 07:09 PM



“ Jacque Alvarez and Ron Ellis purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Kerry R. McLenon.



Jacque Alvarez and Ron Ellis - September 07, 2018 at 05:57 PM



“ Kerry was truly a blessing in so many peoples lives. Everyone that knew him knows what a strong, kind, loving, and generous person he was. I am honored to have had him as my father-in-law. He will always be remembered for being such a kind and loving father, husband, brother, grandfather, and friend. Natalie was lucky to have him as a grandfather. His legacy will continue through the great memories, pictures, and stories we all have to share. He will be forever loved and missed. But always in our hearts. We love you Dad/Kerry/Grandpa.

Heather McLenon - September 07, 2018 at 05:24 PM



“ Our deepest sympathy to Pat and family

Sharon - September 07, 2018 at 07:27 PM



“ A Full Life was purchased for the family of Kerry R. McLenon.



September 07, 2018 at 04:33 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kerry R. McLenon.



September 07, 2018 at 04:16 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kerry R. McLenon.



September 07, 2018 at 03:54 PM



“ DARREN: I SO MUCH ENJOYED PLAYING OVER 30 ,HOCKEY WITH YOUR DAD. HE WAS A GREAT AND DEPENDABLE PLAYER. MY SYMPATHY TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY. JIM HERZOG

JIM HERZOG - September 07, 2018 at 03:32 PM



“ Joyful Memory was purchased for the family of Kerry R. McLenon.



September 07, 2018 at 01:02 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Kerry R. McLenon.



September 07, 2018 at 12:10 PM



“ Kerry was one of the last people I spoke to before I left Michigan for Florida, two years ago. He and I worked together at the Monroe Power Plant before he moved to Wyandotte. He was an intelligent and humorous man and I have to say, I am shocked and saddened to hear of his death. He most certainly will be missed and my deepest condolences to his wife and family.

Paul Costello
cco57@aol.com

Paul Costello - September 07, 2018 at 11:32 AM



“ Kerry, Darran, and Rick,

We are so sorry for the loss of your dad. We know how much each of you loved him. We never were able to meet him, but he left 3 fine sons who, through their daily lives, show what a good person their dad was. God bless all of you.

Judy and Dale - September 07, 2018 at 11:21 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Kerry R. McLenon.



September 07, 2018 at 08:20 AM



“ "Kerry and family - I'm so very sorry to hear of the loss of your dad today. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. There are two memories that I will always have of your dad. One will be his smile and the other was how he would talk about "his boys". There was no doubt how much he loved you all. Sending prayers that your days are filled with more wonderful memories than of sorrow.

Rebecca Foley - DTE

Rebecca Foley - September 07, 2018 at 07:54 AM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kerry R. McLenon.



September 07, 2018 at 07:38 AM



“ 2 files added to the album Kerry McLenon



Twila Trowbridge - September 06, 2018 at 11:57 PM



“ We had the honor of meeting and getting to know Kerry and his wife the last few years through his son and wife (Kerry and Dianna. He will be greatly missed. we ask the Lord not only to take Kerry into his arms, but to look after his loved ones.
Love, Julie and Tom

Julie Ames - September 06, 2018 at 11:32 PM



“ Kerry, Darran, and Patrich and family
WE are so sorry to hear of Kerry's death. We are sorry but we won't be able to make it but we send our love and thought of you all
Love aunt Sharon and Uncle Gary Seviss

Gary & Sharon Seviss - September 06, 2018 at 10:00 PM



“ I've had the honor and the privilege of meeting Kerry during the very last year of his life. Over this time he has become one of my very dearest friends. I never knew him as a tough hockey player and a hunter. I met such a sweet, kind, gentle, handsome man, who's health and body was failing him. However, he never complained, remained strong, and tough and faith filled and accepted the hand he was dealt with true courage. I was truly blessed to share these last days of his short life, he changed me as a person. Even though it was so difficult for him to speak, we still had such good conversations together. He shared so much with me about his loving wife Pat, his children, his brother his parents, his grandchildren and his love of hockey. He truly loved his family so much, and was so proud of his boys. He even shared his regret that he couldn't serve in the military, but was so proud of his brother. Kerry truly died with dignity on his own terms, and faced his daily challenges with courage and strength beyond belief. The true measure of a man is how he raised his children and how he faced adversity and struggles, and Kerry was a great man like no other. All 3 of his boys gave him such joy, and hearing for him how successful they all are shows what a great father he was. I'm proud to call him my dear friend, and I will miss him greatly, my heart is broken. However, my joy is that I know he is with Jesus and his body is whole. My sympathy goes out to loving wife Pat, who has taken such wonderful care of him and to his children, and all of his family. Thank you for sharing this wonderful gentle, great man with me.

Love and prayers,
Susan Cuzelis
(Hospice volunteer)

Susan Cuzelis - September 06, 2018 at 09:29 PM



“ What a wonderful post. Thank you Susan for you genuine care of dad during his most “tested” times. Pat and my brothers are forever grateful!

Darran McLenon - September 07, 2018 at 01:08 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Kerry R. McLenon.



September 06, 2018 at 08:44 PM



“ Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Kerry R. McLenon.



September 06, 2018 at 08:18 PM



“ The absolute BEST dad one could wish for. My idol, role model, mentor, hero, and best friend! He had the looks of Sam Elliot and Tom Selleck, the coolness of Paul Newman and Steve McQueen, and the toughness, grit and compassion of Gordie Howe. He was a builder, mechanic, electrician, and mason, in addition to proudly serving Detroit Edison for nearly 45 years and the Monroe community/State of Michigan throughout his life. Anyone that knows me, knows how influential and inspirational he has been to me. I am indebted to him that's for sure. I love and miss you dad!

Darran McLenon - September 06, 2018 at 08:16 PM



“ My heart breaks for the loss of my dear uncle, but I rejoice in knowing that because of Gods grace he has been made whole again. No suffering, no pain, just peace. Reunited with his family and enjoying the splendor of our heavenly Father. I love you Uncle Kerry! Jill

Jill Sabuda - September 06, 2018 at 07:46 PM



“ Information with respect what Progressive Supranuclear Palsy is and associated research, donations, etc. can be found at Cure PSP (www.psp.org). Thank you.

Darran McLenon - September 06, 2018 at 07:36 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Kerry R. McLenon.



September 06, 2018 at 07:30 PM



“ Pat and family, our sincerest sympathy for your loss. Please take comfort that he is in a better place. He was a special person. I'm grateful he blessed your life. All my love,
Heather Serwa

Heather Serwa - September 06, 2018 at 07:20 PM



“ I had the good fortune of spending time with Kerry. Once was a hunting trip to remote Quebec and again at Rick and Shanel's wedding. Kerry's sense of humor was contagious and welcoming. His family is proof positive of his legacy and character. Kerry will be missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family.

Greg Parkins - September 06, 2018 at 06:23 PM



“ My prayers are with Darren and famil

mike ridler - September 06, 2018 at 06:03 PM



“ 214 files added to the album Kerry McLenon



Darran McLenon - September 06, 2018 at 05:32 PM



“ Thanks for sharing all of these pics. I'm sorry I won't be able to make it. My deepest sympathy to you all.

Sarah Marklein - September 06, 2018 at 08:16 PM



“ Darren, what a beautiful album of pictures and beautiful memories! I am so sorry to hear of your Father's passing. Uncle Kerry had a heart of Gold and He took care of us in our time of need when Daddy passed and for that i am forever grateful! I love you my Cousins with all my heart! Thank you for sharing all of these precious pictures with all of us! Heaven surely gained one outstanding Beloved Uncle! Prayers and Condolences to You, Karry Jr, Rick, Aunt Pat and the rest of the Family and Friends. Much Love and God's Blessings Always! -Love, Your Cuz and Niece, Jodi Lee. ♡

Jodi - September 08, 2018 at 08:49 AM



“ I had the honor of meeting Mr McLenon one day at Darran house . It only took me a couple of minutes to figure out where Darran got his manors and great personality from . RIP Mr McLenon I am glad I met you .

A True Honor,
James Booker

james Booker - September 06, 2018 at 04:46 PM