



Ray De Witt

December 10, 1950 - May 29, 2014

Raymond "Ray" De Witt, 63, of Sunset Beach, NC, recently from Newton, NC and formerly of Michigan, died Thursday, May 29, 2014 in Grand Strand Regional Medical Center. Born in Zeeland, MI on December 10, 1950, Ray was a son of the late William De Witt, Sr., and Martha Postma De Witt. Ray attended Zeeland Public High School, Zeeland, MI and after high school worked for the family business, Bil-Mar Foods, Zeeland, MI for many years.

Ray and his wife were car owners in both the NASCAR Winston Cup and Busch Grand National Series for nearly a decade, from 1988 through 1997. They were also car owners in both the ARCA and ASA national touring series for over a decade. Ray was a past member of the Michigan Motor Sports Hall of Fame Board of Directors.

Ray was a member of Jennies Branch Baptist Church and will be remembered for his love of family, enjoyment of a good conversation, good food, and road trips which he always seemed to know where the best restaurants were. He was preceded in death by a sister, Julia Morrison.

Survivors include his wife Diane Seelman De Witt of Newton, NC; son Michael De Witt (Robyn) of Grand Haven, MI; daughters, Rebecca "Becki" D. Gorton (Matt) of Plainwell, MI; Jennifer Tilley (Billy) of Maiden, NC; Judy De Witt of Newton, NC; step-son Brent Seelman (Christine) of Newton, NC; brother, Bill

De Witt, Jr. of Holland, MI; sister, Shirley DeDoes (Ron) of Collinsville, TX; brother-in-law, Jobe Morrison of Dayton, OH; grandchildren, Chase De Witt, Ravyn De Witt, Scott De Witt, Michaela Gorton, Elizabeth Gorton, Mark Gorton, Isiah Tilley; step-grandchildren B. Jacob Seelman and Danielle Seelman; companion Brenda J. Mongold of Sunset Beach, NC.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11:00 AM, Wednesday, June 4, 2014 in St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Ocean Isle Beach, NC by the Reverend Henry Rehder and the Reverend Bill Sirginson. The family will receive friends from 6:00 until 8:00 PM, Tuesday, June 3, at Brunswick Funeral Service, Shallotte.

Funeral services in Michigan will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, June 7, 2014 at Rusk Christian Reformed Church, 10354 92nd Avenue, Allendale, MI 49401. Pastor Mark Neymeiyer will officiate. Visitation will be 6-9 p.m. Friday at Yntema Funeral Home, 251 South State Street, Zeeland. Interment will be in Rusk Cemetery. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Motor Racing Outreach, 5555 Concord Parkway, Concord, NC 28027 or the American Heart Association. www.yntemafh.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Ray De Witt*

August 31, 2022 at 01:26 PM



“ *Ray, you were the best person for looking after us at Sunset Beach, we will miss you.*

Bill Sirginson - Greenville, NC - June 14, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *We express our sympathy to the family.*

Aud, Cathy Petroelje

audred petroelje - zeeland, MI - First Cousin - June 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *May your memories of the wonderful times you shared with your loved one comfort you and your family, today and always.*

American Heart Association - June 04, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *Ray was an awesome Uncle. He will me missed. My prayers are with my cousins Jennifer, her family and Judy and his other children and family. And Diane. See you all at visitation. Hugs*

Kathy Peugh - Holland, MI - neice - June 03, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *We miss our friend and neighbor. Kim and Jim Slusher*

Kim Slusher - Sunset Beach, NC - June 03, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Diane and girls,..Prayers are with all of your family..xoxo

Debi Musgrave - NC - Family friend - June 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CN

“ Our hearts are saddened by the loss of Ray...affectionally known as the "Mayor of Village Park"...we will miss his kindness and willingness to help his neighbors. With deepest regrets, Cathie & Tony Scavo

Catherine Scavo - Sunset Beach, NC - June 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ Judy and Dianne.. I am so sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers as you say goodbye. Hold on to your good memories and cling to the love and hugs from your family and your many friends.

Annette Piper - Concord, NC - friend - June 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ My deepest condolences to family and friends of Mr. De Witt. I pray you may find comfort in the God of all in this difficult time.

A friend - June 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM