



Martin "Marty" Southard

February 9, 1928 - November 29, 2019

Passed away Friday, November 29, 2019 at the Wings Home in Allegan. Marty was born February 9, 1928 in Allegan, the son of John and Hazel Southard and had lived the majority of his life in Allegan. Marty loved to tinker in his garage and was very proud of his yard. After retirement he could be seen on walks around town or cruising around his neighborhood on his bicycle. He also enjoyed relaxing in his swing outside with friends and family that would stop by to visit. Marty had worked as a truck driver and construction worker most of his life, retiring from the Allegan City Department of Public Works in 1990.

Surviving is his daughter Susan (Dale Halstead) Busfield; grandchildren, Benjamin Busfield and Sara (Floyd) Decker; 2 great grandsons, Gabe and Anson Decker; his best friend Greg Tobey and several cousins and friends.

He was preceded in death by his wife Kathryn, sister Louise Perfecto and his parents.

The family will meet friends on Tuesday from 10 AM until time of funeral service at Noon at the Bloomingdale Chapel, D. L. Miller Funeral Home, www.dlmillerfuneralhome.com. Interment will follow in Oakwood Cemetery in Allegan. The family suggests memorial contributions be made to the Wings Home, Allegan.

Cemetery Details

Oakwood Cemetery

112 Locust St.
Allegan, MI 49010

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 3. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Bloomingtondale Chapel
203 East Spring Street
Bloomingtondale, MI

Service

DEC 3. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

JN

“ We are the Newton's and we live a street over from Marty's. We will miss this man who would come by on his bike and every once in awhile stop for a chat. We would surprise him with a fresh baked goody once in awhile and always stopped to drop off a Christmas treat gift. He would say "I look forward to this", and we would chat a bit. We will always treasure those memories and he will always be remembered. RIP Marty, Thank you for sharing a part of your life with us.

Janice and Gary Newton - December 02, 2019 at 11:49 PM

BB

“ Ben, Sara and Susan,
Marty would always give Richard and I a hard time, picking on us. But, we loved it and loved giving it right back. He was a very special person and gave so much love to all of us, and will be missed. Hugs and prayers to you all.

Barb, Richard and Kelly Brooks

Barb Brooks - November 30, 2019 at 01:21 PM

NA

“ I am so sorry! Susan, Ben, and Sara, I am send all the love and hugs I can. I remember walking around the block and visiting and talking with him. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Nikki Anthony - November 30, 2019 at 12:49 PM

SP

“ Susan, Sara, and Ben thinking of all of you and your families. I loved giving him a hard time, calling him an "old fart". and just joking around with him, and it usually ended with a big ole hug.



Sue Parsons - November 29, 2019 at 08:14 PM

SK

“ To the family he will be missed by all and my prayers are with you all I love you Sara Kinney

Sara Kinney - November 29, 2019 at 07:07 PM

LB

He was always outside on ELY STREETalwsys waved Bless the Family Leta Billman

Leta Billman - November 29, 2019 at 07:31 PM

JL

He was a great great man. I remember him from way back. Thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Judy Ann-Coleman Lampen - November 29, 2019 at 08:11 PM

SP

There is hardly a day goes by that I don't see something that reminds me of Marty !!! He was always giving me advice and tools that he no longer had a use for . I learned a lot by hanging out in his garage and now that I'm retired I'm starting to organize my garage , basement and barn in true Marty fashion . You will be greatly missed my dear friend !!! Love to Sue , Dale , Benjamin , Sara , Floyd , Gabe and Anson .

shelley ploof - November 29, 2019 at 08:24 PM

NS

Mart was a good man, always enjoyed watching him ride his bike around Ely and James street. Have been neighbors for over 50 years. Condolences to the family Sue, Dale, Benjamin, Sara, Floyd, Gabe and Anton.

Norm and Val Smith - November 30, 2019 at 11:11 AM

NT

Prayers Susan for you and your whole family. Marty was always such a friendly man.

Nola Tooker - November 30, 2019 at 12:35 PM