

# Larry R. Draper


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## Obituary for Larry R. Draper

Larry Ray Draper, age 83, of Hart, Michigan joined his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on February 2, 2024, in Muskegon, Michigan. He was born March 1, 1940, to Ben and Nellie (Hall) Draper. On October 2, 1971, he married Dorothy "Dottie" Kish in Muskegon, Michigan. Larry worked as a Supervisor at Seaver Industrial Finishing in Grand Haven and after retirement moved to Hart, Michigan. He enjoyed ice racing, anything to do with cars, camping, day trips, and spending time with the love of his life, Dottie. He loved being with family, especially for special events and the holidays. He loved playing his guitar, salmon fishing in Lake Michigan, driving in the dunes, Adventures in Mackinaw, a special cruise to Alaska, and all the longtime friends he met along the way. He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Dottie; children: Jeff (Wendy) Draper and Barb (Tim) Jason; 4 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren. Larry is also survived by his brothers: Jerry (Carol Gathright) Draper, Tom (Ellen) Draper, John (Krista) Schapka, and Chris (Patty) Schapka; sister, Gayle (Stephen) Darke; brother-in-law, Dan (Pam) Kish; sisters-in-law, Barb (Jim) Duram and Paula (Charlie) Hall; many nieces and nephews; and a dear cousin, Judy Draper. He was preceded in death by his daughter, Laurie Draper; parents Ben and Nellie Draper; and step-mom, Kay Draper. Visitation with the family will be Monday, February 12, 2024 from 12-1 PM with a celebration of life immediately following at Mears United Methodist Church in Mears. Memorial contributions may be made to Mears United Methodist Church, 1990 N. 56th Ave, Mears MI 49436 or The Harbor Hospice Foundation, 1050 W. Western Ave., Suite 400, Muskegon, MI 49441. Share memories with the family at their online Guest Book at [www.sytsemafh.com](http://www.sytsemafh.com) Arrangements by The Sytsema Chapel of Sytsema Funeral and Cremation Services, 737 Apple Ave., Muskegon, MI 49442 (231) 726-5210

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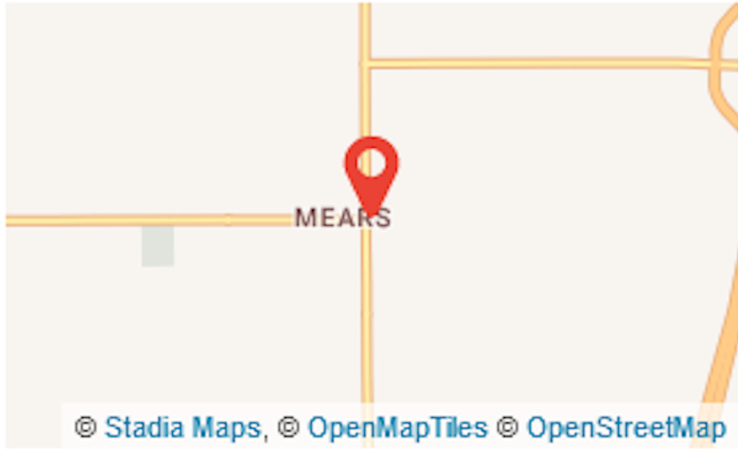
### Visitation

FEB 12. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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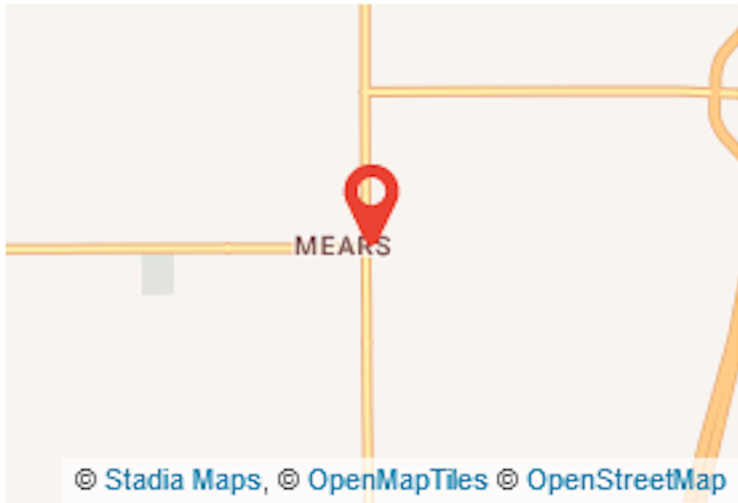
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