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## Richard R. Olechnowicz

February 24, 1940 ~ June 17, 2017 (age 77)



### Services

A service summary is not available

Richard R. Olechnowicz age 77 of Robinson Township passed away Saturday, June 17, 2017. Rich was born February 24, 1940 to Bruno and Anna (Klimo) Olechnowicz in Chicago, IL. He proudly served in the US Army. Rich married Judy Sabo on September 28, 1963 in Grand Haven. She preceded him in death on June 13, 2012. Rich started his career with Bastian Blessing as a sheet metal journeyman. He blended his work as a journeyman with life on the farm where he retired after 20+ years. He thoroughly enjoyed planting the seedlings at the Olechnowicz greenhouse with his son Todd. Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday Rich could be found enjoying coffee with his sister Sweetie. He also enjoyed breakfast at The Rainy Day Café. He was a member of St. Patrick-St. Anthony Parish. Rich enjoyed peddling his crops at the Grand Haven Farmers' Market where he was known for his award winning radishes. He loved to play bingo and visit area casinos. Rich and Judy spent many winters in New Port Richey, FL. He took special care of his furry friend Abby, driving her around town in his car. Rich deeply missed the love of his life, Judy. He will be lovingly remembered by his children, Lesley (Joel) Ryder, Amy Olechnowicz; son, Todd (Brenda) Olechnowicz all of Grand Haven; grandchildren, Justin and Logan Rose; step-granddaughter, Paige Koster; sister, Anielia (Wayne) Wilson of Robinson Township; brothers, Bruno (Sophie) Olechnowicz, John Olechnowicz all of Grand Haven. He was preceded in death by his brothers Mike and Joe. A Celebration of Life for Rich and Joe will take place at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to Harbor Humane Society. Please visit [www.klaassenfuneralhome.com](http://www.klaassenfuneralhome.com) to sign Rich's online guest book.

