



Gary J. Zurek

March 8, 1965 - February 6, 2025

Gary J. Zurek, age 59 of Harbor Beach, passed away Thursday, February 6, 2025, at Trinity Health Livonia Hospital. Gary was born on March 8, 1965, in Harbor Beach to Jean (Stacer) Zurek and the late Melvin Zurek. He and Kelly Smithers were united in Marriage on September 5, 1998, at St Mary's in Parisville. Together they raised three wonderful children. Gary was a fun guy to be around, had a love like no other for trucking and his John Deere tractors, and could always give a joke. He loved any time he got to spend with his family, embracing all the hobbies his daughters embarked on, and all the time with his grandchildren.

Gary is survived by his wife Kelly Zurek, of Harbor Beach, Children: Kayla (Nick) Geiger of Harbor beach, Rebecca (Jason) Smalley, of Ubly, Amy Zurek (special friend Mitchel Karg) of Harbor Beach, 3 grandchildren: Clayton, Hazel, and Jack, Mother: Jean Zurek of Harbor Beach, siblings: Janice Maurer of Ubly, Steven (Sharon) Zurek of Harbor Beach, Linda Zurek of Bad Axe, Brother and Sister in Laws: Pam (Gary) Sweeney of Elkton, Dale (Angel) Smithers of Elkton, Tracy (Mike) Clark of Stone Mountain, Georgia, Mother in Law Karen Smithers of Elkton, many nieces and nephews and several aunts and uncles.

Gary was preceded in death by his dad, Edward 'Melvin' Zurek, father-in-law, Orville 'Pat' Smithers and brother-in-law Doug Maurer.

Cremation has taken place. Funeral mass for Gary will take place, Thursday, February 13, 2025, at 1pm at St. Anthony's Catholic Church of Holy Name of

Mary Parish with Father Kevin Wojciechowski officiating. Friends may gather at the church from 10am until time of services at 1pm. Arrangements are being handle by the Ramsey Funeral Home of Harbor Beach. Memories can be shared at www.RamseyFH.com

Previous Events

Gathering of Friends

FEB 13. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

St Anthony Catholic Church (Holy Name of Mary Parish)
8233 Helena Rd
Harbor Beach, MI 48441-9459
(989) 479-6781

Funeral Mass

FEB 13 (ET)

St. Anthony's Church
Harbor Beach, MI

Tribute Wall

MR

“ *Mark And Catherine Roggenbuck lit a candle in memory of Gary J. Zurek*



Mark and Catherine Roggenbuck - February 13, 2025 at 07:31 PM

MR

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord. May he rest in peace

Mark and Catherine Roggenbuck - February 13, 2025 at 07:32 PM

VK

“ *So sorry to hear of Gary's passing. He was a fun guy to be around, full of pranks and teasing. I'll never forget one year for Halloween, approx. 1988 everyone was in costume and Gary dressed up as a woman. Our two groups ran into each other at the old Halfway Tavern. We couldn't stop laughing. My prayers are with your family. Rest in Peace, Gary.*

Valerie Koroleski - February 11, 2025 at 03:26 PM

KW

“ *Kyle and Krystal Wrubel purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Gary J. Zurek.*



Kyle and Krystal Wrubel - February 11, 2025 at 02:03 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gary J. Zurek.



February 11, 2025 at 08:35 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Gary J. Zurek.

February 11, 2025 at 08:35 AM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gary J. Zurek.



February 10, 2025 at 08:03 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Gary J. Zurek.

February 10, 2025 at 08:03 PM

DA

“ I'm so sorry for your family's loss. I always enjoyed when Gary came into the Mini Market he always had a smile on his face. Great young man that loved his family so much. I'm sending prayers and hugs 🙏🙏🙏 for everyone. Gary will be deeply missed by everyone that knew him. Rest in peace Gary.

Donna Arn - February 09, 2025 at 01:31 AM