



Russell "Rusty" Woods

December 17, 1956 - December 24, 2025

Russell "Rusty" Woods, age 69 of Harbor Beach, passed away Wednesday, December 24, 2025 at his home. He was born on December 17, 1956 in Highland Park, to the late Beverly Miller Woods. He grew up and graduated in Port Austin, MI. Rusty retired after 30+ years from Dow AgroSciences, where he developed many important friendships and picked up the nickname, "Rooster".

He was an avid Michigan sports fan and especially loved the Lions and Tigers. He loved his Price is Right, camping, bonfires, beaches, rock and roll, tending to his many fish aquariums, and watching the birds. He loved to stop in to his favorite Thumb bars to play Keno and socialize with friends. He loved to brag on and spend time with his kids and grandkids whenever he could.

Rusty is survived by his son Jeff, wife Christina, and their children Riley and Rachel who live in Nebraska and daughter LeeAnna Woods and children Carter and Roman of Lansing.

He will be remembered by those who knew him for the love he had for his family, the odd expressions he had that would leave you smiling, and the joy he brought to others. Viewing services will be at the Ramsey Funeral Home of Harbor Beach, from 11am until 2pm, Saturday, January 3rd, 2026. Burial will take place at Port Austin Township Cemetery following the service. We will

also gather at Smalley's for a drink, as he would have wanted, for those who want to join the family.

Cemetery Details

Port Austin Township

Previous Events

Viewing

JAN 3. 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Ramsey Funeral Home, Inc
425 State St
Harbor Beach, MI 48441
(989) 479-3407
<https://www.ramseyfh.com>

Tribute Wall

JP

“ So sorry to hear this, condolences to the family. He was always good to his Mom and we enjoyed spending afternoons chatting with them both! He was so proud of his kids! With sincere sympathy,
Rick and Julie Pettit

Julie Pettit - January 06 at 01:59 PM

LM

“ Rusty and my brother were friends many years ago, before either had kids, Im sure they are together now. RIP Rusty.

Lori Mouton - January 02 at 09:30 PM

LW

Hi Lori, I remember mom and dad speaking of Mike and Colleen often. Thank you ♡

Leeanna woods - January 02 at 10:51 PM

PA

“ We are so sorry for the Woods family loss. You already knew this...Rusty was a good guy. He will be missed by many...

Paul Amici - January 01 at 11:42 AM

DG

“ Jeff, LeeAnna, and family,
We are so sorry for your loss. We met Russell “Rusty” around the time of Jeff’s and our daughter Christina’s wedding. He was a very nice guy and easy to talk to. We could see how he raised such a good son in Jeff. He will be greatly missed. Our sincere condolences.

David and Samantha

David Gataletto - December 31, 2025 at 10:15 PM

DG

“ David and Samantha Gataletto purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Russell "Rusty" Woods.



David and Samantha Gataletto - December 31, 2025 at 10:05 PM

DG

“ David and Samantha Gataletto planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Russell "Rusty" Woods.

David and Samantha Gataletto - December 31, 2025 at 10:05 PM

RC

“ My sympathies to you on the loss of your Dad. I met Rusty through my parents (Ellie and Connie Hagle) and our family would go camping with Rusty and his Mom quite often when we were growing up. He always had a smile. He was so proud and spoke very highly of his kids and grandkids all the time! He will be missed.

Rose (Hagle) Cooper - December 31, 2025 at 08:11 PM

LW

“ I can't believe we're planning your funeral dad. I thought we had more time. You were an amazing son, father, grandpa, and overall person. You always showed up for us and loved us SO much. I am eternally grateful and happy I was your little girl. Thanks for all the support and good times. Until we meet again daddy... ♡

Leeanna woods - December 31, 2025 at 03:07 PM