



Edwin J. Matthews

August 21, 1935 - December 23, 2024

Edwin John Matthews, 89, of Jeddo passed away at home on December 23 surrounded by his wife and children. He was born on August 21, 1935, to the late Harley and Lucille (Fuller) Matthews in Burtchville Township. Edwin met Noreen Shumate of Port Huron at the roller rink, and later the two were married on August 16, 1958.

After attending the local one room schoolhouse and Croswell High School, Edwin enlisted in the Navy to serve his country and see the world. After a medical discharge, Edwin drove truck as an independent owner/operator, then for Huron Mfg. and Induction Heat Treating. During that time Edwin farmed with his father, purchased his own farm, and in 1986 began his sorting business. He was active in his business until he passed.

Edwin loved to snowmobile, camp, boat and farm. Traveling, whether by Honda Gold Wing or motorhome, was one of his favorite passions. His first motorhome he built himself from a used toy delivery truck. Gardening also became one of his favorite pastimes, specifically hot peppers. Edwin made friends everywhere, including in the Amish and Mennonite communities.

Noreen never knew where the next “adventure” with Edwin would take them! Family has always been a priority, especially his grandchildren and great-grandchildren, whether he was attending graduations, musical events, sporting events, weddings, or any family gatherings.

Edwin is survived by his wife, Noreen and their four children, Lori (Roger) Fair, Mark (Monica) Matthews, Joni (Michael) Soflin, and Tami Matthews; fourteen

grandchildren, Megan (Jared) Fair, Riley (Shelby) Fair, Heather Fair, Joshua (Marissa) Matthews, Timothy Matthews, Nicholas (Brooklynn) Matthews, Elizabeth (Matt) Soflin, David (Whitney) Soflin, Katie (Chris) Allen, Emma (Luis) Robles, Jennifer (Paul) Lopez-Suess, Eugene (Breanne) Ludington, Heather (D'Andre) Ludington and Rebecca (Kurtis) Whiting; 28 great-grandchildren, with one on the way. He is also survived by two brothers, Howard Matthews and Gerald (Mary) Matthews and one sister, Nancy Lindsay.

Edwin is preceded in death by sisters Mary Lou and Margaret, brother-in-law Tom, sister-in-law Doris and great grandson Theo.

A celebration of life will be held on Saturday, January 4th at 1 pm at the Lexington Methodist Church officiated by Pastor Nathaniel Tucker. The service will be at 2 pm with a luncheon immediately following. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Hunter Hospitality House of Port Huron or the Pollina Avenue Holiness Church of Fort Gratiot.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 4. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Lexington United Methodist Church
5597 Main St.
Lexington, MI 48450
(810) 359-8215
<http://lumcmi.org>

Celebration of Life Service

JAN 4. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Edwin J. Matthews.*



January 03, 2025 at 02:20 PM



“ *Our deepest condolences to your family at this time. A donation has been made to Hunter Hospitality House in memory of Mr. Matthews.*

With sympathy, your friends at Huron Inc.

ADELE CLIFF - January 02, 2025 at 08:47 AM



“ *Kurt, Vicki, Jennifer and Jeff purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Edwin J. Matthews.*



Kurt, Vicki, Jennifer and Jeff - December 29, 2024 at 12:54 PM



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

December 27, 2024 at 05:40 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Edwin J. Matthews.



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