



Melvin H. Hearit

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Melvin Herbert Hearit, 81, went home to Jesus on April 2, 2021.

Mel was born to the late Herbert and Minnie (Pleiness) Hearit on August 6, 1939 in Bloomfield Twp., Huron County, Michigan. His sister, Marilyn Scott, brother-in-law, William Scott, and brother, Herman Charles Hearit, preceded him in death.

On August 13, 1960, Mel married his high school sweetheart, the love of his life, Priscilla Landra. He is survived by his wife, Priscilla; their three children, Kim (Mike) Hurst of Shelby Twp., Karen (Don) Distelrath of Columbus Twp., and Kevin (Susan) Hearit of Lapeer; and seven grandchildren, Ashley, Nikki, Emily, Ethan, Stephanie, Kyle, Briana; and two great-grandchildren, Micah and Louis.

He worked for the Detroit Police Department for 25 years, retiring in 1988. He then worked in security for Harper Hospital-Detroit, Macomb Hospital, and at the Macomb County Courts until he retired in 2019.

Mel is remembered as a kind-hearted man that loved to help his children and grandchildren. His family was very important to him and he will be deeply missed. He also was a talented craftsman who enjoyed making birdhouses, flower boxes, and other wood projects. He enjoyed fishing, cutting firewood, playing Euchre with his friends from church, and spending time with his best friend Camie, his Golden Retriever.

He was a member of St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Richmond, Michigan. Mel was a man of strong faith and he was not afraid to share it – one of his favorite Bible verses was Proverbs 16:3.

Memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m. Monday, April 12, 2021 at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Richmond, MI by Reverend Mark Haller. The family will receive visitors one hour prior to the



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service.

The service will also be live streamed at <https://www.stpetersrichmond.org/> and on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/stpetersrichmond>.

Any donations or memorials can be made to St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Richmond, MI online at <https://www.kindridgiving.com/app/giving/stpetersrichmond>.

Funeral arrangements by Young Funeral Home, China Twp. To leave the family a message of comfort please visit: www.youngcolonial.com




Events

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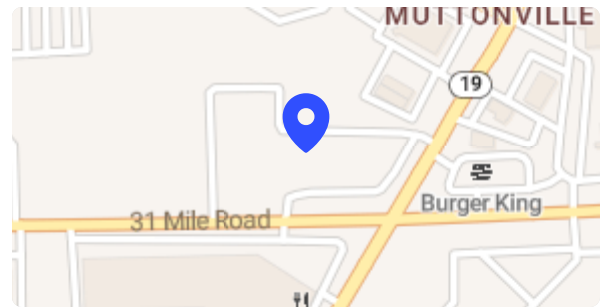
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Memorial Gathering

 **Monday**, April 12, 2021

 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET

 **St. Peter Lutheran Church**
67055 Gratiot Ave., Richmond MI 48062





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Hank Anderson posted:

Just learned of Mel's passing on the RDPFFA' s Memorial page. Value visiting with him a few years back while he was assigned to the Macomb County facility on Dunham Rd. Considered it a privilege to have been assigned to work with him during my rookie year at No 11 in 1968. Remember his unflappable and calm demeanor and low keyed sense of humor. A great police officer and mentor. A Good Man.

May 4 at 5:56 PM



Karen Distelrath shared an album called **Memories Album**.



April 10 at 4:42 PM



Sharon Brown April 11 at 11:26 AM

Such a wonderful couple!



Emily shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Brandy ❤️



April 10 at 3:15 PM



Ilene Meyers posted:

Mel was Lou's partner on the police department and best friend. I remember their annual fishing trips to Harbor Beach. We had fun times together in Detroit and staying at your lovely home in Columbus. I have a lot of wonderful memories. Love and prayers to you Priscilla and your family. Ilene Meyers

April 8 at 5:50 AM



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EM

Emily shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Thank you for being my "special person" all those years ago... You will forever hold a very special place in my heart. You're the reason I am who I am today. As I write this, sitting next to my two dogs, I'm reminded that you were the first person to encourage my love for dogs. I'll always cherish those childhood memories of spending time with you and Brandy in the garage or watching you carefully place her ball in the crook of that old Maple tree in the backyard. Then I would watch in wonderment as she would retrieve it and bring it back to you everytime. I also miss hearing you tell the story of how one time you waved to a dog as you drove by only to quickly remember that they can't wave back (at least not in the same way we do). It's something I always think of now as I wave to each dog I pass by... As much as I miss you here, I know you're in a better place. In the meantime, I'll continue to wave to our furry friends. Love you Gramps



April 6 at 5:20 PM



TF

The Presley Family sent a Country Basket Blooms to the Hearit family.

April 6 at 8:57 AM



AS

Ashley posted:

How to shoot a sling shot, bait a fishing hook, and catch a tadpole. These are a few of the things I learned from my Grandpa. A tractor or a golf cart can pull up to four sleds of grandkids in the snow. Always have a secret stash of snacks, recommend peppermints or peanuts. A front row seat for turkey carving means taste-testing privileges. \$5 can provide a tasty snack of white castle sliders or hot n ready pizza, but nothing compares to Nonnie's cooking. Sometimes you have to haggle to get the best price. Chevy makes the best pick-up trucks. And we all know what it means when it's raining on a Sunday in Mid-May but sunny on a Sunday in Mid-June 😊. But most importantly my Grandpa taught me to love the Lord and to love your family above all else. He taught me the early bird gets the worm, to work hard, appreciate the outdoors, and have adventures. Thank you for the lessons and thank you for the memories.

April 6 at 7:25 AM



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Dad & Mom



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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Melvin by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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