



Raymond Campbell

May 5, 1931 - June 22, 2017

Raymond Edward Campbell was born on May 5, 1931 to Elvah Pearl Campbell and Andrew Watson Campbell in Detroit, Michigan. Ray was the second of four Children (3 boys and a girl). The Campbell family loved to sing and their church had a large choir and orchestra. Ray played the trombone in the church orchestra and also at school. On Sunday afternoons, when Ray was a teen, the Campbell family sang on the radio (WEXL-AM in Royal Oak, Michigan) for a religious broadcast. They would sing all the old gospel tunes. The Campbell family always sang at family gatherings and Ray constantly sang around the house and continued to sing every opportunity he had. Ray graduated in 1948 from Lincoln High School in Centerline, Michigan. Ray married Lois Lanbert in 1950 (30 years) and they had two children: Deborah and Ray Jr. Ray spent all of his career as a tool engineer in the auto industry in Detroit and Chicago, and the aerospace industry in California. Ray met Joanne Chrysanthopoulos in 1994 and after a seven year courtship they were married on May 11, 2000. They retired to Ocala Palms in Florida in September 2001. Ray and Joanne enjoyed golfing and bowling. Ray was a member of the Ocala Palms Worship Community Choir and enjoyed singing with the Golden Sounds Chorus of Ocala Palms. Ray was a generous and kind neighbor, lending a hand to all who needed help, always with a smile and a joke. With his engineering and organizational skills he enjoyed making charts, diagrams and blue print drawings. He loved PROJECTS, where he could make plans to explain or make the project more efficient. Ray is survived by his wife: Joanne

(17 years), daughter Deborah Purvis (Charlie) of Trinity, FL; daughter-in-law Glenda Campbell of Troy, MI; brother: Andrew Campbell (Mari) of Shelby Twp., MI; sister: Jacque McKenna of Escondido, CA; brother: Paul Campbell (Anita) of Calumet, MI. four grandchildren: Brenda, Sean, Kirsten and Lauren. Seven great-grandchildren: Dylan, Andrew, Haleigh, Rlee, Liam, Norah Autumn and many nieces and nephews.

Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Campbell family, I am very sorry for your loss. A scripture that encouraged me very much when my grandma died is Isaiah 25:8. It says "He will swallow up death forever and the Sovereign Lord Jehovah will wipe away tears from all faces."

Kelsey - June 26, 2017 at 12:00 AM