



Gerald "Jerry" McGraw Sr.

February 27, 1948 - June 23, 2023

Gerald "Jerry" Thomas McGraw Sr., 75 a resident of Boiling Springs, SC and a native of Michigan passed away suddenly and peacefully on June 23, 2023.

Jerry was born on Selfridge Air Force Base in Harrison Twp., MI on February 27, 1948 to the late Mattie McGraw (Upton) and Willie McGraw.

He worked tirelessly for the Chrysler Corporation at the Sterling Heights Stamping Plant for 47 years. During this time he served in numerous roles from manufacturing, maintenance, skilled trades, welding, crane operator and robotics. He also served as the Cub Master for the Van Dyke Cub Scout pack 1487 in the early 80's, member of the Van Dyke public schools Band Boosters and as a Director of the Michigan Urban Indians where he assisted Urban Indians to learn the American Indian Heritage in South-Eastern Michigan Indian Council.

Jerry was a devoted Son, Brother, Husband, Dad and PaPa which he devoted his entire life to serving his family. He was a loving, caring and generous soul that not only left a legacy on his family, but all those lives he touched.

He is survived by his 3 children; Gerald McGraw Jr. (Kelly) of Boiling Springs, SC, Wendy Good (Brian) of New Baltimore, MI and Crystal Borle (Curtis) of Armada, MI. His 13 Grandchildren; Jason McGraw (Monse), Jessica Elliot

(Aaron), Brooke McGraw, Faith Good, Jordan Good, Corey Good, Alexis Good. Brittany Creedy (Jake), Courtney Gibson (JR), Trey Gibson (Vivian), Ashton Gibson, Brandon Gibson, Cameron Gibson. He also has 5 great grandchildren; Oakley Elliot, Marcelo McGraw, Mason Barnette, Reagan McCullough, Parker Creedy. His 6 Brothers and Sisters; Gene McGraw, Roger McGraw, Brenda Spanky, Allen McGraw, Timmy McGraw, Scott McGraw as well as Numerous Nieces and Nephews.

He was predeceased by his loving Wife Bonita McGraw who was his heart and soul, his one true love which they were committed in marriage on November 8, 1969 and celebrated their 50th anniversary before her passing. As well as his parents Mattie and Willie McGraw and his beloved sister Kitty Collins.

Cemetery Details

Oakwood

35900 24 Mile Rd.
New Baltimore, MI 48047

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 2. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Mandziuk & Son Funeral Directors, Inc. - Sterling Heights
3801 18 Mile Road
Sterling Heights, MI 48314
(586) 997-3838

Funeral Service

JUL 3. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Gerald "Jerry" McGraw Sr.*

October 23, 2023 at 04:00 AM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with the family. Jerry was my next door neighbor all my young life. Jerry always helped me when I needed to work on my car no matter summer or winter, could always count on him. I knew this kind man since I was 10 years old, 30 years later when I got married, him and Bonnie (my mothers best friend) were at my wedding.*

Rest in peace my friend, and give Ms. Bonnie a hug for me.

Dewayne Howell - July 01, 2023 at 07:23 PM



“ *Jerry, we are so sorry for the loss of your daddy! Sending love, prayers, and condolences to you and all your family during this sad and difficult time! We love you. Bob & Lib Gibson*

Alice Gibson - July 01, 2023 at 04:26 PM



“ *Jerry and Family*
My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.
Judy Wilson

Judy Wilson - June 29, 2023 at 08:39 PM

JW

“ Judy Wilson sent a virtual gift in memory of Gerald "Jerry" McGraw Sr.



Judy Wilson - June 29, 2023 at 08:37 PM

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“ Alice Gibson lit a candle in memory of Gerald "Jerry" McGraw Sr.



Alice Gibson - June 29, 2023 at 05:42 PM

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JERRY, Thinking of you with deepest sympathy. So sorry about the loss of your dad. Bob & Lib Gibson

Alice Gibson - June 29, 2023 at 05:55 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Gerald "Jerry" McGraw Sr..



June 29, 2023 at 03:59 PM

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“ Jerry, Wendy, and Crystal - I have many fond memories of your mom and dad at band camp, band booster meetings and concerts. May you find peace in knowing that they are together again. Their legacy lives on through you and your memories of them. Sending love to you all.

Keith Pizzo - June 29, 2023 at 12:19 AM

LH

“ Jerry,
I am so very sorry for the loss of your father. I pray you and your family feel God's peace and comfort until you are together again.
Love,
Lisa Gibson Harrington

Lisa Gibson Harrington - June 28, 2023 at 11:35 PM

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Crystal & Family,
My God grant you all the peace and serenity that you need at this time. My condolences are with you all. I only met your dad a few times when he lived with you. I just remember his soft voice and smile. I'm only a phone call away if you need me... Love ❤️ Terria

Terria Montgomery - July 02, 2023 at 01:55 PM