



Ralph R. Elftmann

February 22, 1959 - October 24, 2012

Ralph R. Elftmann, 53, of Coloma died Wednesday evening, October 24, 2012 at his residence.

Services celebrating his life will be held at 7 PM on Monday, Oct 29, at the Davidson Chapel of Florin Funeral Service in Coloma. The family will receive friends and relatives from 5 PM to 8 PM on Monday at the Davidson Chapel. Burial will take place at 11 AM (Chicago Time) on Tuesday at St. Mary's Cemetery in Evergreen Park, IL. Please leave messages, memories or photos at www.florin.net.

Ralph was born on Feb 22, 1959 in Chicago to Norman and Margaret Elftmann, Sr. He was a handyman in the Coloma area for many years. Ralph was an avid hunter and fisherman. He was strong willed and loved his family.

He is survived by his brothers, Michael Elftmann of Frankfort, IL and Norman (Stase) Elftmann, Jr. of Frankfort, IL; his sisters, Angela (Timothy) Ullmer of Shreveport, LA and Cheryl Watson of Coloma and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his sister, Dolores M. Elftmann.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **29**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Davidson Chapel of Florin Funeral Service
249 East Center Street
Coloma, MI 49038
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Service

OCT **29**. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

CW

“ *I miss you uncle. I think of you often. I wish I could talk trash to you while cutting your hair like I always did. I love you.*

chris W. - October 13, 2021 at 10:43 PM

DW

“ *I love and miss you uncle Ralph. Wish you were still here so you could have met all your new nieces and nephews.*

Daniel Watson - December 22, 2017 at 11:02 PM

CW

“*Ralph, I will always remember you. You were always such a great brother. You were always there for me and my sons in every way when we needed you the most. You had a big heart maybe too big for your own good. I will never forget the fights we had and the many times you and I went to bingo or fishing or play scrabble together. I will always think of you especially on the holidays when you would complain about my cooking saying " This don't taste like Mommas did" but yet you would eat seconds and make a dish to go home. So maybe my cooking wasn't that bad. . Or when you would come early in the morning to get into the deserts I made for the holidays. It seems I was constantly chasing you out of my kitchen when I was cooking. What I wouldn't do to have you back to bug me again while I cooked again.. You were loved by so many people and had so many friends that everyone called you the Mayor of Hager Shores. I could go on and on about what a great person, uncle brother, friend you were to so many. But I would have to write a book. You have been a big part of our lives that the our hearts will always be broken. I love and Miss you very much. Rest in peace my brother.*

*Love you baby sister
Cheryl*

Cheryl Watson - September 26, 2013 at 05:17 PM

CR

“*Thoughts and prayers for the family -- Ralph was always willing to help anyone..... May God Bless you*

Christy Reid - October 30, 2012 at 08:17 AM

JJ

“*Ralph Boy....nothing but funny and good memories. RIP my friend.*

Joe Callahan Jr - October 29, 2012 at 10:56 AM

GD

“ Ralph, We are glad we had the chance to know you better over the last couple of years. Enjoyed your stories about your family and your fishing days. We will miss your visits. Rest In Peace.

Jack and Ginny Doherty

Ginny Doherty - October 29, 2012 at 10:32 AM

DW

“ Uncle Ralphie, words can not express how much you will be missed. You were someone that I always enjoyed being around and talking to. Your passion for your family and friends was immense. I will remember and cherish all the times we would play cards, fish, and watch old John Wayne movies. Your time here was too short and it bothers me so much that I was not there for you when you left. Be at peace and be with your family in gods kingdom. See you again someday. Your Nephew

Don Watson - October 28, 2012 at 02:18 PM

LM

“ Ralph-Mayor of Hager Shore. Be at peace.

Laura Murphy - October 27, 2012 at 08:49 PM

RG

“ Ralph you are truly going to be missed, you were on of a kind, you could always put a smile on my face, I will never forget you on your lawnmower driving all over Hagar Shore, or on that golf cart, Hagar Shore is never going to be the same with out you and Doloras, you guys were part of the scenery, Love Ya Cousin REST IN PEACE

Renee Gregson - October 26, 2012 at 05:30 PM