



## William L. Carrette

May 26, 1949 - January 31, 2025

William L. Carrette, a cherished father, grandfather, and brother, passed away peacefully on January 31, 2025, in his hometown of Detroit, Michigan. Born on a beautiful spring day, May 26, 1949, William lived a full and vibrant life surrounded by loved ones and his cherished Michigan surroundings. He was 75 years old.

William is lovingly survived by his children, Jason Carrette and Jennifer Runyon and her husband David; his adored grandchildren, Ryan, Sarah, and Adeline, who brought him immense joy and pride; and his siblings, Leonard Carrette and his wife Barb, Catherine Carrette and her partner Bob Glasser, and John Carrette. William also leaves behind a host of nieces and nephews, who fondly remember their uncle's warmth and guidance.

He was predeceased by his beloved wife, Linda, whose partnership and love were his life's compass, and his sister, Cheryl Buziak, with whom he shared fond childhood memories.

A lifelong resident of Fairhaven, William had a passion for the great outdoors. He spent many serene hours boating, fishing, and hunting, finding joy and tranquility in nature's embrace. His love for crafting and creating was evident in his woodworking projects and his skillfully made fishing lures. William was also a culinary enthusiast who delighted in preparing meals, especially

through BBQ and smoking, often bringing family and friends together with his delicious creations.

The family will receive friends for a visitation on Monday, from 3 to 8 p.m., at the Wasik Funeral Home–Gendernalik Chapel, located at 35259 23 Mile Rd., New Baltimore, Michigan. A funeral service to celebrate William’s rich life and legacy will be held on Tuesday at 12 p.m. at the same location.

In our hearts forever, William L. Carrette's warmth, generosity, and love for life will be dearly missed, but will continue to inspire all those who knew him. Arrangements have been entrusted to Wasik Funeral Home-Gendernalik Chapel

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 3. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wasik Funeral Home - Gendernalik Chapel  
35259 23 Mile Road  
New Baltimore, MI 48047

## Visitation

FEB 4. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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35259 23 Mile Road  
New Baltimore, MI 48047

## Funeral Service

FEB 4. 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ I'm very sorry to hear of Bill's passing.  
Bill was my late brother, Mike Desmarais', close friend for many years. Their friendship began when we all lived in Saint Clair Shores and seamlessly carried on even after my family moved to New Baltimore. Distance never tested their friendship.  
Bill was an amazing young man. He never once objected to Mike's little sister tagging along. The three of us enjoyed playing cards, canoeing, horse back riding, bowling and movies.  
Bill and I lost touch over the years but I did see him several years back, at my Mother's funeral. He hadn't changed.  
My sincerest condolences to Bill's family. He was a good man...  
Kathleen Desmarais Ohlman

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**Kathleen Desmarais Ohlman** - February 15, 2025 at 08:28 PM

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“ Bill (Wild Bill as we called him) will be missed dearly - he always brought a smile to our shop and loved to talk fishing. We will miss his friendly banter back and forth over his love of adding more electronics and gadgets to his boat and hearing of his fishing trials, and victories, pursuing Lake St. Clair's walleye and perch population.  
Rest in Peace our friend -

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**Billy Rose - Rose Marine Service** - February 04, 2025 at 11:30 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of William L. Carrette.



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February 03, 2025 at 06:37 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of William L Carrette.

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“ Bill always had a smile and a laugh. My brother Mike just loved being with him. Mike ,Bill, Linda, and Nevin. I was Mike's sister Lisa

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**Lisa Kanne** - February 03, 2025 at 01:00 AM