



Hilborn "Dwayne" Cantrell

December 1, 1931 - July 3, 2017

BLISSFIELD – Hilborn “Dwayne” Cantrell, age 85 of Blissfield, passed away unexpectedly Monday, July 3, 2017, at his home.

He was born December 1, 1931, in Detroit, Alabama to Frank and Lillie (Jeffreys) Cantrell.

On September 5, 1950, he married Clara “Sue” Williams on the way to Michigan, and they shared 58 years together. She preceded him in death in 2008.

From humble beginnings to an entrepreneur who was never afraid to take a risk, Dwayne owned and operated numerous businesses. He owned/installed storm doors, windows, awnings, garage doors, operated Hilltop Go-cart Track in Adrian, was a partner in Precision Machine Tool Adrian, founded Adrian Tool 1969, purchased Palmyra Tool Company, owned Lenawee Steel Treating & Welding, owned Jones Sealing Service, owned Nomar Industries, manufactured flare guns for the U.S government, owned Black Oxide Business, purchased Norton Equipment Corp. in 1974 which he owned and operated till present, purchased Gambles Hardware Store, owned Cantrell’s Music & Furniture stores in Blissfield and Monroe, owned Cantrell’s Car Lot, used car sales, owned Cantrell’s Carpet and Flooring, owned Villager Apartments and Company Street Apartments, owned Norton Wood Stove Manufacturing Company, owned Cantrell Excavating, and owned Cantrell Orchards in Adrian and Addison. His success he attributed to honesty, old fashioned common sense and hard work.

Dwayne is survived by his son, Scott Cantrell of Tecumseh, daughters-in-law, Monica of Blissfield and Linda of Manitou Beach; four grandchildren: Ryan (Lindsey), Brandon (Stephanie), Dean and Renee Cantrell; great grandchildren, Taylor, Ty, Lucas, Wyatt, Brody and Isabelle; and brothers, Dean and Hugh Don "Shot" (Lou An) Cantrell, both of Alabama.

In addition to his parents and wife, Sue, he was preceded in death by a son, Steven Cantrell, and siblings, Bill, Elaine, Melbe, Johnnie and Alvin in infancy.

Funeral services will take place at 11 a.m., Friday, July 7, 2017, at Wagley Funeral Home, Tagsold Chapel in Blissfield with Rev. Larry Betz officiating.

Burial will follow at Pleasant View Cemetery. Visitation will be held at the funeral home Thursday, from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m.

Memorial contributions are suggested to Hospice of Lenawee. Online condolences and memories may be shared at www.WagleyFuneralHome.com.

Cemetery Details

Pleasant View Cemetery

9175 E. US 223
Blissfield, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 6. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Wagley Funeral Home Tagsold Chapel (Blissfield)
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Visitation

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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ I'm sorry for the loss. I am you Cousin Elizabeth “Liz” Carol Chkoreff. And daughter of Larry and Carol Chkoreff. And granddaughter of Christine Nikoloff and Peter Chkoreff. I am niece of Louise Chkoreff and Karl Henry. And cousins with Sue, Kirk, Keith, Matthew, Jim and Justin and Janell Henry. (Jim Knight and Sue Knight and girls) And we all are cousins closely. 😊 I am mother of Micah William Chkoreff and Gabriel Lee Chkoreff as my micropremie twins. And I graduated from Kennesaw State University and Georgia College and State University with a MAT. M.ed in Special and general education pre k through University. It reads Dr. Chkoreff. You are my cousin and you are loved and we will always have good history. It was the Nikoloff in me to be determined. And the Hilborn in me to have twins. And it is that we think alike. I am ok with you being ok in Heaven if that's where it is suppose to be. I do love you. You counted. Elizabeth “Liz” Carol Chkoreff, MAT. M.ed



Elizabeth “Liz” Carol Chkoreff - December 04, 2025 at 02:08 AM



“ Hilborn "Dwayne" Cantrell

January 28, 2023 at 12:24 PM

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“ From the family of Jack and Betty Clark purchased the Glorious Grace Bouquet for the family of Hilborn "Dwayne" Cantrell.



From the family of Jack and Betty Clark - July 06, 2017 at 12:30 PM

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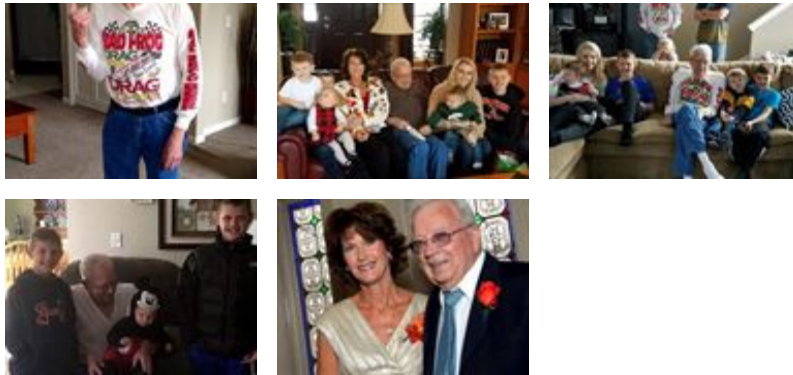
“ Duane and Lauren LaTour purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Hilborn "Dwayne" Cantrell.



Duane and Lauren LaTour - July 06, 2017 at 10:51 AM



“ 83 files added to the album Life Tributes



Wagley Funeral Home - July 05, 2017 at 04:36 PM

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“ Jerry Hudon And LouAnn Cantrell lit a candle in memory of Hilborn "Dwayne" Cantrell



Jerry Hudon and LouAnn Cantrell - July 04, 2017 at 07:40 PM

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“ *Jerry Hudon And LouAnn Cantrell sent a virtual gift in memory of Hilborn "Dwayne" Cantrell*



Jerry Hudon and LouAnn Cantrell - July 04, 2017 at 07:39 PM