



Clarence Jiggs Charters

July 12, 1934 - May 24, 2019

Clarence “Jiggs” D. Charters, 84, of Frankfort, died peacefully at his home surrounded by family on May 24, 2019. Jiggs was born on July 12, 1934 in Elberta, the son of George and Mareta (Daugherty) Charters.

Jiggs had several jobs through the years, but his passion was farming and tractor work. He was the master of the “Jigger-Rig”. He lived his entire life in Frankfort except for two years while serving in the U.S. Army. He proudly served 25 years on the Frankfort Volunteer Fire Department, was a member of the Jaycees, and the Frankfort Eagles. He was also a member of the Benzie County Sportsman’s Club, Michigan Conservation Foundation and the Benzie Michigan Whitetails. He loved woodworking, fishing, hunting, shooting and made several trips out west to hunt. He was always willing to offer a helping hand.

Jiggs married Marcia K. Hammons and created a family of five children: Bradley (Deborah), Dale, Susan Rabor, Tracy and Donald (Shannon Lichty) Charters. He is survived by his children and six grandchildren: Nicholas, Ashlee (Spencer Osborne), Hogan, Erik, Kendra (Wesley) Frye, Gabrielle Rabor, and “adopted” granddaughter Mikala Sowa; great granddaughter Ryleigh Lyons and a second great granddaughter due soon. He is also survived by his brother Robert “Bob” Charters of Frankfort and sister Jennie Lee Stibitz of Berkley.

Jiggs was preceded in death by his wife Marcia; parents; brother George Jr.; brother in law and sister Allen and Marie “Cookie” Anderson; son in law William Rabor; sister in law Betty Charters and brother in law Charles Stibitz.

Cremation has taken place. A celebration of life will be held at 2:00 pm on Friday June 7, 2019 at Jowett Family Funeral Home in Benzonia, with Rev. Rick Stieve officiating. The family will greet relatives and friends two hours prior to the celebration of life.

Donations in his name can be made to BACN or the Frankfort Eagles. Arrangements by Jowett Family Funeral Home & Cremation Service, Benzonia.

Cemetery

**Crystal Lake Township Cemetery
North**

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Events

JUN 7 First Visitation 12:00PM

Jowett Family Funeral Home - Benzonia
7223 South Street, Benzonia, MI, US,
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JUN 7 Celebration of Life 02:00PM

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Comments



“ Dear Charters family:

We were very sorry to hear of the passing of your Dad/Granddad Jiggs.

We have been his next door neighbors - just up the hill - for about ten years, and we greatly enjoyed our interactions with him. He and Lynn particularly liked talking about various gardening projects and problems; and they would from time to time swap some of the produce from their gardens.

We also had the pleasure of knowing Marcia before she left us a few years back. She was also a lovely person and a pleasure to socialize with.

We take comfort in knowing that Jiggs had a long and wonderful life. And the crowd of his progeny that gathered at his place on holiday occasions made it clear how much his family enjoyed and cared for him. But it won't ever be quite the same for us without having him next door.

All our best wishes and condolences to all of you.

Tom and Lynn Spragens

Thomas Spragens - June 05, 2019 at 02:05 PM



“ Jiggs was a great uncle to me, after my father passed he was my go to guy for several issues. He always was willing to help everyone , just a great guy. He loved his family very much and they were lucky to have Jiggers as their father. I moved away 17 years ago so did not have enough contact time with Jiggs and family recently but I'll never forget him, RIP Jiggers, Love Ya.

Dave Wilkins - June 03, 2019 at 05:46 AM