



Dennis Edward Patton

May 26, 1945 - April 11, 2023

Dennis Edward Patton, age 77 of Lexington, was called to Heaven on April 11, 2023, at McLaren Port Huron Hospital with his wife by his side.

He was born on May 26, 1945, at Port Huron Hospital, the second son of H. Wade and Grace Patton. Five years later, his mother, Grace was killed in an automobile accident. His father later married Doris and they had two other children. Dennis was always helping neighbors for spending money, which taught him the value of money early on.

Dennis belonged to the DeMolay and after that, became a Master in the Masonic Lodge, Port Huron. He attended Port Huron High School where he played football. His grandfather wanted him to become a pharmacist, but Dennis had a technical and mechanical mind and began an apprenticeship program for tool and die. He trained at machine shops and plastic injection companies in Marine City and Warren Michigan.

He later married Sharon Lee Leim in Ruby, Michigan on July 2, 1966, and moved to Romeo where she taught art at Romeo High School. He continued his apprenticeship classes through Port Huron Junior College (St. Clair County Community College), where he completed on the job training through Master Tool Makers in Warren.

In 1970, the family moved to Texas believing he would be starting a business with his father-in-law and uncle-in-law, which did not happen. In 1976 they moved back to Michigan and in 1978 they started Patton Tool & Die, Inc. in the Lexington area. Dennis was there for over 45 years until he passed.

He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Sharon Lee Patton, son, David Ryan (Marissa) Patton, grandson, Joshua Alec Patton, granddaughter, Lily Cyra Patton, step-granddaughter, Sapphira Joy-Kendall Ross, one older brother, Donald Patton of California, brother, Mark Patton of Kingsley, MI and sister, Linda Sue Patton of Marysville MI.

Per Dennis' request, he has been cremated. A celebration of life will be held at a later date. Arrangements in care of, Jowett Funeral Home, 1634 Lapeer Avenue, Port Huron.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Sanilac County Humane Society, 3547 W. Sheldon Road, Carsonville, Michigan, 48419.

He had much love in his heart for the Lord, his family, the animals and the people who cared for him. His family and many friends will miss this gentle, caring man.

To view the obituary and share memories, please visit www.jowettfuneraldirectors.com

Tribute Wall

LT

“ Lee, thinking of you & your family at the loss of Dennis.
Sincerely,
Linda Turner

Linda Turner - May 01, 2023 at 02:10 AM

JT

“ Dennis what a wonderful kind person my husband worked for him about 20 years.He was always helping people very generous he will be missed.Our prayers are with Lee and family we have that blessed hope in seeing our loved ones again.Jim & Sharon Taylor

Jim & sharon taylor - April 20, 2023 at 01:48 PM

GR

I served on Worth Twp. Boards with Sharon and Dennis. Both were very professional and conscientious. I ran into them over the years while shopping. They were kind.
Prayers for the family.

Gloria Regis - May 08, 2023 at 07:43 PM

SP

Than you for your kindness, thoughts and prayers.

Sharon Patton - July 03, 2023 at 01:45 PM

AN

“ We were so blessed to live w to the Tool and Die Shop for 9'years. Dennis was such a wonderful friend and neighbor. I always enjoyed our driveway conversations and his views on life! I will miss meeting him out on the road. May you rest in peace Dennis! Andrea, Wally and Haydn Mencavage

Andrea Nunn-Mencavage - April 19, 2023 at 11:04 PM

MP

“ *Dennys was my father in law for more than a decade, and I will always be grateful to have had him as family! He was a wonderful grandpa to my children, and father to my husband. The world lost a great person when his time was done here. We will always remember you, Denny 😞*

Marissa Patton - April 16, 2023 at 06:11 PM

RW

“ *Dennis Patton
Was a great Man and he could always solve anything to do with tooling and make anything, he was a truly generous to Cipa molding.
He will be truly very missed
Especially bye me
Thank you Randy Wiley Gen Mrg. Cipa molding*

Randy Wiley - April 12, 2023 at 10:22 AM