



## Gerald E. Foglesong

September 10, 1936 - May 5, 2023

On May 5, 2023, Gerald E Foglesong, beloved father, brother and friend, passed away at age 86. Jerry (his preferred moniker) was born in Pontiac, MI to Vera M. (Mertz) and Earl M.

Foglesong. He grew up in Port Huron with 5 siblings and following graduation from high school, enlisted in the Army at Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Texas. Unfortunately, his military career ended with a Medical Honorable Discharge within 2 years of enlisting. He returned to Port Huron, married Diane Deaner, and raised 4 children. His professional career included working for Anker Hoth, Chrysler/ General Dynamics and a try as Farm Bureau Insurance agent. He retired from General Dynamics in 1995 and began traveling in a fifth wheel, crisscrossing the country visiting Alaska, Utah, Arizona, Colorado, Florida, Hawaii (flew!)

and many states in between. He made many friends along the way and collected a huge portfolio of adventure stories. He settled back in Port Huron after 10 years of travel, where he reconnected with family and friends.

Jerry is survived by children Julia (Jim) Ridenour, Steven (Brenda) Foglesong and Chris Foglesong, grandchildren, Sarah (Joel) Cooper, Tayler Foglesong, Steven Foglesong, Adam (Rachel) Foglesong, Brandon Foglesong, Alex Ridenour, Drew Foglesong, Emma Ridenour, great grandson, Brayden Foglesong, sister Judy Spaulding, brother Larry Foglesong (Cindy McPherson), Ray (Lorraine) Foglesong, sister-in-law Ruth Foglesong, many

nieces and nephews and special friend at Mercy Village, Kaye Peck. He is proceeded in death by son, Scott Foglesong, infant sister, Marie Foglesong, brother, Jim Foglesong, and longtime companion Shirley Mertz.

Private inurnment will be at Caswell Cemetery, Kimball, MI. Per Jerry's request, no funeral services will be held. Family and friends are invited to a luncheon to remember Jerry at the Fraternal Order of Eagles, 2645 Howard St, Port Huron, from 12-3 pm, on May 12, 2023.

Cremation arrangements in care of, Jowett Funeral Home, 1634 Lapeer Avenue, Port Huron.

To view the obituary and share memories, please visit [www.jowettfuneraldirectors.com](http://www.jowettfuneraldirectors.com)

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

MAY 12. 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Fraternal Order of Eagles #3702  
2645 Howard Street  
Port Huron, MI 48060

# Tribute Wall



“ *Jerry you are a lifelong friend. I shall remember you always. Bob Helm* ”

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**Robert Helm** - May 23, 2023 at 08:18 PM