



## Gregory G. Marek

July 5, 1947 - July 7, 2020

On July 7, 2020 Our family lost one of it's greatest members, Gregory G. Marek.

He was born on July 5th , 1947. He has been returned to his wonderful parents Aloysius R. "Lloyd" Marek & Mildred Marek.

He is survived by his loving wife JoAnn Marek, his caring sister Joanne & Rocky DeBell, his loving brother Gary Marek, his son Jim Marek and Jim's Mother Barbra Ling, and his best friends Ted & Judy Morrison.

He also had a loving extended family, his carrying stepdaughter Tammy Velasquez, his close friend and stepson Roger & Debbie Thornton II. Along with his grandchildren and many great grandchildren. He has several nieces, nephews, and cousins who he loved greatly.

Greg was never afraid to try new things or to take a risk.

He weathered the Florida sea's as a shrimp boat captain, He was a long time member of the Moose, Moose Lake Campground and the American Legion.

He was the best husband, father & friend a person could have. He was always there when someone needed him, even if it was a neighbor he didn't even know. He didn't judge people by their past or their future.

He stayed true to his word no matter what, and never expected anything in return. He loved his family above all else. He was a fierce warrior, and a carrying father. He has been called home and reunited with his parents. To his remaining family his death will always be remembered as the day we lost one of the most loving and caring men that has ever spent time on earth. JoAnn

has lost the love of her life, and her best friend.

Per Greg's request services will be held privately.

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)

# Tribute Wall

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“ One year has passed since we lost you. Your memory lives on for us and you are definitely not forgotten. We spent some time with Ted for the first Birthday he won't be spending with you. The tradition lives on. Love Barb and Rick.

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**Barb Ling** - July 05, 2021 at 01:57 AM

RT

“ It's hard to only think of just one memory. I have so many memories of Greg(Riv). It seemed like Riv, Ted, Jimmy, and myself lived at the campground in the summers. I can't tell you how many times we signed up for the fishing tournament and never woke up to even start it. We would still show up year after year to join the tournament. Eventually, we just used it as an excuse for the 4 of us to spend the weekend together. He had so many years left in his soul, and he never let us down. Every year I knew when it got warm, it would be our time together.

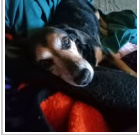
*I can't think of anyone I will miss more every summer from here on out. I spent many hours talking with him and he had so many stories to share. I never grew tired of hearing them, and always looked forward to the next one. While everyone else knew him as Greg, I knew him as Rivers. I called him Riv for the whole 17 years I got to be part of his life. He was the man who was too strong to give in to death. The only way it got him, was with his back turned I promise you that.*

*I will spend the rest of my days missing him. I will also spend them thankful that I got to be apart of his life. He showed everyone he met respect, and he would defend anyone who needed it. We lost one of the good ones when we lost Riv. Just as he changed my life when he came into it, he once again has changed it now that he's gone.*

*I will see you again one-day pops,  
Love Rog*

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**Roger Thornton** - July 17, 2020 at 02:45 AM



“ I'm so sorry to hear about Greg. I ran into him a couple of years ago at southend Kroger. As we passed each other, he looked at me like he knew me but didn't know how. I went up to him and told him who I was. He said I haven't see you in years, how did you know it was me? I said the tattoo on your arm. We both laughed. As a child from my perspective, he was a giant of a man. Sending prayers and my deepest sympathy.

*This is a picture I found of Greg and my dad at Aunt Mayme's restaurant in the early 70s*



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**Michelle Carey** - July 15, 2020 at 03:41 PM

PT

“ So Sorry for your Loss JIM!! Thinking of You and Sending Our Love!! Pennie&Jim 🥰



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**Pennie and Jim Tedlock** - July 12, 2020 at 11:38 AM

JM

*Very sorry I have not responded to this. My father was the best friend in my life. Good bad or indifferent Love him with all my heart. Thank you with all my heart Aunt Pennie & Uncle Jim.*

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**Jim Marek** - January 22, 2022 at 10:02 PM

PL

“ Heart broken over your loss Jim. My sincere sympathy to you and the family.



Pamela Long - July 11, 2020 at 07:13 PM

JM

Sorry I have not responded to this Aunt Pam. I loss one of my best friends that day. Thank you with all my heart. Jim.

Jim Marek - January 22, 2022 at 10:08 PM



“ Although we haven't spent much time together or the last few years I will cherish the times we did. I can hear your viece and you calling me Sweetie, you will forever be in my Heart. I love you



Deborah Lynn - July 09, 2020 at 05:46 PM

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“ Barbara Ling lit a candle in memory of Gregory G. Marek



Barbara Ling - July 09, 2020 at 08:21 AM