



Boyd "Ray" Pace

April 14, 1939 - January 26, 2018

Boyd "Ray" R. Pace, age 78, passed away on Friday, January 26, 2018 at his home. Ray was born April 14, 1939 in Saluda, North Carolina, the son of David and Myrtle (Richards) Pace. On January 2, 1987 he married Barbara (Rutkowski) Pace and she survives. Ray was the first to step in when someone needed help. He worked hard all his life at many different jobs including "moonshine lookout boy" & professional racehorse exercise boy, traveling the circuit until he landed in Michigan. He also loved to entertain & was known for his weekend pig roasts. He and Barbara loved to dance. The most important thing in his life was his family. Ray owned and operated Water Softener Hospital in Saline with his wife for over 20 years. Survivors in addition to his wife Barbara include daughters Tamera (David) Deutsch, Traci Pace, sons Bill Marler, Matt (Roxanne) Sprunk, Grandchildren Shane Marler, Cortney Marler, Jozef Sprunk, and his sister Mary McAbee. A Memorial Service will take place on Saturday, February 3, 2018 at 2:00 P.M. at the Robison-Bahnmler Funeral Home in Saline, with Pastor Ray Maurer officiating. Visitation will take place from 12:00 Noon until the time of service at 2:00 P.M. Memorial contributions in his name may be made to the Alzheimer's Association and envelopes will be available at the funeral home. To leave a memory you have of Ray for the family, to sign his guestbook, or for directions please visit www.rbfhsaline.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 3. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Robison-Bahnmler Funeral Home & Cremation Services
301 E Michigan Ave
Saline, MI 48176
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Memorial Service

FEB 3. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Boyd "Ray" Pace*

October 23, 2023 at 01:07 PM



“ *It's been one year. I still imagine you are in Florida and not really gone. Traci and I spent January 26, 2019 together looking at old pictures and remembering when. You will never, ever be forgotten, dad. Traci and I will always remember you.*

With great love, Tammi Lynn.

Tammi Deutsch - January 30, 2019 at 08:18 PM



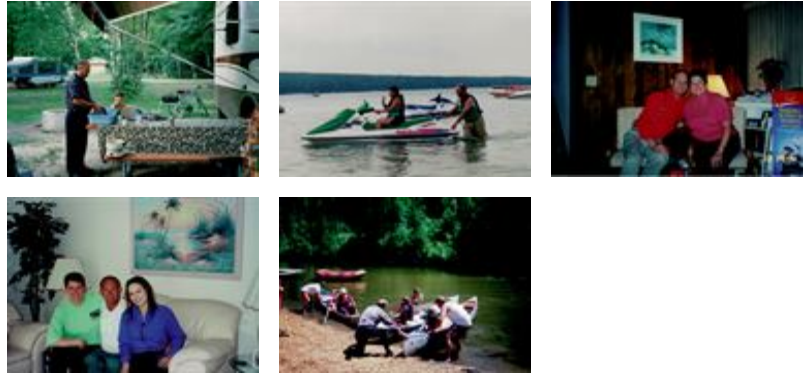
“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Boyd "Ray" Pace.*



February 03, 2018 at 10:19 AM



“ 77 files added to the album Life Tributes



Robison-Bahnmler Funeral Home & Cremation Services - February 01, 2018 at 09:55 AM



“ Janeene E. purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Boyd "Ray" Pace.



Janeene E. - January 31, 2018 at 08:30 PM



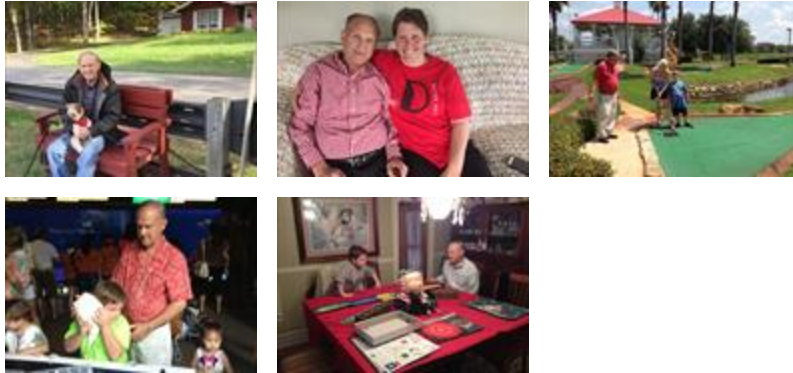
“ Sapphire Skies Bouquet was purchased for the family of Boyd "Ray" Pace.



January 30, 2018 at 02:52 PM

BP

“ 7 files added to the album *New Album Name*



Barbara Pace - January 30, 2018 at 06:26 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Boyd "Ray" Pace.



January 29, 2018 at 08:45 PM

CN

“ *Ray was a great neighbor both on Dell Road in Michigan and Poe Drive in Florida. In fact, Betty and I would probably still be in the frozen north if Ray hadn't told us about the Poe Drive home in Florida. Both of us being from the hills of WNC, and in the many hours of our conversations we found we knew the same moon-shine folks in the area. Loved to talk politics with Ray, sometimes when we were both on the same side we still would disagree! Rest in Peace, you did good!*

Clark and Betty Nanney

Clark Nanney - January 28, 2018 at 11:34 AM

ND

“ My deepest sympathy for your loss of your dad Tammi. Your dad's love and legacy will be forever in your heart! 🙏🙏 Natalie

Natalie DeLeo - January 27, 2018 at 04:17 PM



“ Garden of Serenity Bouquet was purchased for the family of Boyd "Ray" Pace.



January 27, 2018 at 10:53 AM

FD

“ Ray was a great man, he was the first person we meet in Saline upon opening our business and always wanted to lend a helping hand with his wisdom and knowledge of the area. Sorry for your loss I thought of Ray often and respect him greatly. Frank Daidone

frank daidone - January 26, 2018 at 04:59 PM

CN

Ray was an excellent neighbor both at Dell Road, Michigan and Poe Drive, Florida. In fact, Betty and I would still be in the frozen north if Ray hadn't told us about a home for sale across the street from his place on Poe Drive in Florida. From our conversations over the years, both of us coming from the hills of WNC, we soon found out we had known mutual moon-shinning folks as well as others in "them thar hills". I loved to talk politics with Ray, even when we agreed, we could disagree!!!

Rest in Peace, you did good!

Clark and Betty Nanney

Clark Nanney - January 28, 2018 at 03:51 PM

DG

David and I are so sorry about Ray's passing but know he is at peace now. We have so many fun memories of Ray. May you Barb, the girls and your entire family cherish all those special memories of Ray. David & Donna Gibson

Donna Gibson - January 29, 2018 at 01:10 PM

BP

Thanks for the kind words.

Barbara Pace - January 29, 2018 at 02:56 PM

GW

Ray was a very generous man, he was always at the ready to help with anything. Ray always had a story to tell -- most were attributed to his "Grandpa". He has already been missed in his Florida neighborhood. Geri Wojcik

Geri Wojcik - January 30, 2018 at 07:56 AM



Mark and I are sadden to hear of Ray's passing. He was always so full of life and made us laugh at our Rummy Cube gatherings. Barb we will continue to keep you and your family in our prayers; I know the journey you have been on but he is now at peace and resting in God's arms; he will be watching over you all! Hugs my friend!

Alphina Kelley - January 30, 2018 at 03:07 PM

JP

Barb'. Bless you for the wonderful care that you gave to Ray in his last years and now that is over and you can spend some time for yourself with your memories. Though we didn't know Ray the way he was in earlier years he sounded like a very nice guy. Bless you. Judi and Mike

judi powell - February 01, 2018 at 08:57 AM