



Melville F. Ellis

July 8, 1928 - October 27, 2014

Age 86, passed away at his home on Monday, October 27, 2014. He was born on July 8, 1928 in Ann Arbor, MI, the son of Mahlon and Emily (Higgins) Ellis. On July 5, 1947 in the First Presbyterian Church in Ypsilanti, MI, he married Virginia Hinsch, and she survives. Mel and Ginny loved their dog Emma and camping at their property on US-2 in the upper peninsula. Mel worked at Ford Ypsilanti Plant as Area B Maintenance Superintendent and retired after 42 years. Survivors in addition to his wife Virginia include their children; Deb (Bob) Grimmette, Mark (Elayne) Ellis, Cindy (Mike) Bunton, and Marcia (John) Evans. Other survivors include their grandchildren; Jennifer (Jason), Jessica, Sarah, Katie (James), Parker, and Macy, Great-Grandchildren; Xander and Tatum, his brother Duane Ellis, his sister Trudy Bohms, his brother-in-law Herman Deal, and sisters-in-law Dorothy Ellis and Els Ellis. He was preceded in death by his parents, his In-laws Rolland and Gertrude Hinsch, his sister Helen Deal, brothers Mahlon Ellis Jr. and Edward Ellis, a brother-in-law Floyd Bohms and a sister-in-law LaDona Ellis. The family would like to give a special thanks to his caretakers; Lilly, Twyla, Sharon, and Audrey. Funeral Services will take place on Thursday, October 30, 2014 at 11:00 A.M. at the Robison-Bahnmler Funeral Home in Saline, with Chaplain Dave McNeil officiating. Private burial will follow in the Lodi Township Cemetery in Lodi Twp., MI. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Foundation or to Humane Society of Huron Valley. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home where friends may begin

calling on Wednesday, October 29, 2014 between the hours of 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. and on Thursday, October 30, 2014 from 10:00 A.M. until the time of service at 11:00 A.M. To leave a memory, to sign his guestbook, or for more information or directions please visit www.rbfhsaline.com.

Cemetery Details

Lodi Township Cemetery

Corner of Textile Road and Ann Arbor-Saline
Road
Saline, MI 48176

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **29**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

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Tribute Wall



“ *Melville F. Ellis*

October 23, 2023 at 01:07 PM



“ *Dear Ellis family,*

I didn't know Mel personally but I do know the family as Emily Gilbert (Ellis) is my daughter in law. My father and my brothers both knew Mel well and have talked of all their good times. Sending prayers to the entire family for this difficult time. "May the winds of time never sway the memory of your loved one"

Nina (formerly Nina Collinsworth)

Nina Gilbert - October 29, 2014 at 09:09 AM



“ *Dear Ellis family, Richard Collinsworth and family send their deepest sympathy on the loss of your loved one. My father, Richard has known Mel since 1980. They worked together at the Ypsi Ford Plant. My dad has fond memories of Mel and their good times together.*

Sending prayers to the family.

Richard Collinsworth

Nina Gilbert - October 29, 2014 at 09:05 AM



“ *Virigina and family, sending sympathy and hugs. Mel was a great guy and always concerned about the township. He will be missed.*

Elaine Masters - October 28, 2014 at 09:39 PM



“ *Elaine Masters lit a candle in memory of Melville F. Ellis*



Elaine Masters - October 28, 2014 at 09:35 PM



“ *Mel and I go back a long way...he was my superintendent at Ford for many years...he always tried to get me to quit smoking and when he caught me with cigarettes, he'd cut the pack in half on the band saw. He was a great man and will be missed. Sincere condolences.*
Alex Alley

Alex Alley - October 28, 2014 at 08:33 PM