



## Andrew C. Helka

August 20, 1965 - April 17, 2017

Andrew C. Helka age 51 of Rose Township, MI, died Mon. April 17, 2017. Visitation will be held on Fri. April 21, 2017 from 2:00-7:00PM at the Dryer Funeral Home. The funeral service will be held on Sat. April 22, 2017 at 2:00PM at the Dryer Funeral Home with Pastor Clifford Powell officiating. Andrew owned Andrew C. Helka Construction for 25 years. He is survived by his mother; Olive (the late John) Helka. Brothers and sisters; Jackie (Robert) Larson of Gladwin, Sue Elliot of Holly, Barb (Coup) Coupie of Sterling, the late Marty (Goldie) Helka of Vassar and Cindy (Jeff) Zadorozny of Hartland. Nephews; Jason (Beth) Helka, Jeremy Larson, the late Jeff Coupie, Dan Elliott and Jake Zadorozny. Nieces; Tina (Tom) Debolt, Amanda (Sam) Gedman, Jamie Coupie, Kate Zadorozny and Jennifer (Bill) Otto. Special to him; Anthony Debolt, Brooke Debolt, Emma Felker, Ava Felker, Zach Helka, Nick (Taco) Helka, Lauren Helka, Eli (Elvis) Gedman and Josey Gedman. In lieu of flower donations can be made to the family. The family requests that casual attire be worn. [www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com](http://www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **21**. 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

DryerFuneral Home, Inc.  
101 First St  
Holly, MI 48442  
(248) 634-8291  
bgdryer@hotmail.com  
<https://www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com>

## Service

APR **22**. 2:00 PM (ET)

DryerFuneral Home, Inc.  
101 First St  
Holly, MI 48442  
(248) 634-8291  
bgdryer@hotmail.com  
<https://www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Dryer Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Andrew C. Helka*



---

**Dryer Funeral Home, Inc.** - April 21, 2017 at 11:51 AM

JL

*As a fellow class of 83 graduate, my sympathy and prayers go out to family and friends of Andy*

---

**John Leece** - April 22, 2017 at 12:32 PM

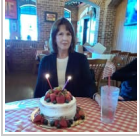


*We just found out about Andy's passing. Tried calling and his number was disconnected. That caused us concern so we started checking. We were so shocked and are terribly sad we missed his service so we could show our respect. Andy did a lot of work for us throughout the years. He was always very pleasant and wanted us to be completely satisfied. We send our condolences to his family and are greiving ourselves. God Bless!*

*Fern and Greg Reichold and Fritz La Barge*

---

**Fern Reichold** - January 10, 2018 at 12:50 PM



“ *Fern Reichold lit a candle in memory of Andrew C. Helka*



---

**Fern Reichold** - January 10, 2018 at 12:36 PM

JL

“ *I'm so very sad and shock to hear about Andy, he was a great person and I always enjoyed his company, I have a lot of great memories of him. My condolence to the family.*

---

**Joe Latozas** - April 24, 2017 at 09:02 PM

GK

“ *Drew was such a happy go lucky guy. He will b missed.*

---

**Gracie Klug** - April 23, 2017 at 01:36 PM

DF

“ *Don't remember ever seeing him without a smile on his face. He will be missed!!!*

---

**Dale Fill** - April 22, 2017 at 09:10 AM

SB

“ *Dear Helka family, I am so sorry to hear this. I have many fun memories with Andy at Holly High with class of 83 Bronchos...RIP Andy...Sam Berry*

---

**Sam Berry** - April 21, 2017 at 11:03 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Andrew C. Helka.



April 21, 2017 at 06:15 PM



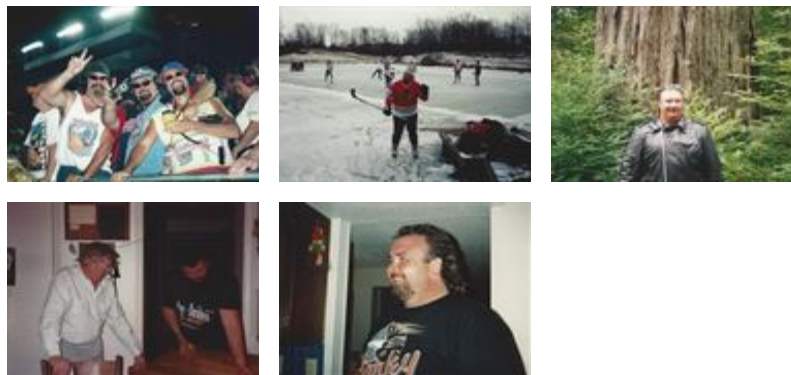
“ Heidi Morris Howieson lit a candle in memory of Andrew C. Helka



Heidi Morris Howieson - April 21, 2017 at 06:04 PM



“ 25 files added to the album Life Tributes



Dryer Funeral Home, Inc. - April 21, 2017 at 11:37 AM

LP

“ *Leslie Moery Powell lit a candle in memory of Andrew C. Helka*



---

**Leslie Moery Powell** - April 21, 2017 at 10:21 AM

TT

“ *My condolences to the Helka family. Graduated with Andy, a lot of fun memories playing high school football and just hanging out. He was one of good friends. God bless. Todd Turner. (83)*

---

**Todd Turner** - April 20, 2017 at 10:31 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Andrew C. Helka.*



---

April 20, 2017 at 09:58 PM

MJ

“ *Andy will always be loved and missed dearly!!  
Our Class of 1983 will never be the same!  
Rest In Peace dear Andy . . . til we meet again  
Mia Phelps Junek*

---

**Mia Junek** - April 20, 2017 at 08:32 PM

RS

“ Robert Stallcup lit a candle in memory of Andrew C. Helka



Robert Stallcup - April 20, 2017 at 03:59 PM

MP

“ So sorry to hear this, and so unexpected! I remember Andy's remarkable wrestling career in high school. My condolences to his mother, and nephews Jason and Jeremy.

Mike Pelton  
Holly bus driver 1974-84

Mike Pelton - April 20, 2017 at 06:08 AM



“ Joel Harden lit a candle in memory of Andrew C. Helka



Joel Harden - April 19, 2017 at 07:19 PM

K(

“ Andy being my first cousin. We lived far apart but I always remember his beautiful smiling face at the Helka reunions. Always smiling from ear to ear. To my family in Michigan my deepest sympathy goes out to you all. God Bless.



kimberly donofrio (Helka) - April 19, 2017 at 07:01 PM

RK

“ We always had a great time playing hockey on Helka Pond. I'll miss Andy both as a friend and a customer. Our condolences to the Helka family. Rob & Julie Kerton

---

**rob kerton** - April 19, 2017 at 05:46 PM

TK

“ I have known Andy since 2010, when he installed some windows at my house. I was so blessed to have had him do them, as I never doubted that whatever he did - he did with the pride of a third generation carpenter and with attention to detail increasingly lost in a Millennial world. I knew he was *THE* man, when he told his then partner that they has to take the doorwall back out and reinstall it. I could see not a single thing wrong with it, so I asked what was wrong with the way it was. His replay - its off an eighth inch. Perfection. He did another dozen or so projects for me over the next seven years, many with his current partner Ron, and it was always top shelf. I never hesitated to recommend him to others, as I know he would do right.

*In addition to his great carpenter skills, I grew to know him as a friend. He had a quick wit, generous spirit, and goodly laugh. Many were the mornings when we mourned the Tigers loss from the night before. Or commiserated on some knucklehead political thing that had occurred. The world needs more Andys and I will surely miss him.*

---

**Ted Kanakis** - April 19, 2017 at 05:39 PM

TK

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Ted Kanakis - April 19, 2017 at 05:31 PM

TK

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Ted Kanakis - April 19, 2017 at 05:30 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Andrew C. Helka.



April 19, 2017 at 05:05 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of Andrew C. Helka.



April 19, 2017 at 03:32 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Andrew C. Helka.*



April 19, 2017 at 12:15 PM

Marti Addis-Goforth

“ *The Holly High School Class of 1979 sends our deepest condolences to our Classmate Cindy Zadorozny and the family of Andrew C. Helka.*  
*We also send to you much love, strength and courage during this most difficult time.*



**Marti Addis-Goforth** - April 19, 2017 at 08:01 AM

KM

*Andy- always loved and will be missed !!*

**Kathy Harris Mckenzie** - April 19, 2017 at 07:32 PM



“ *Hey, Andy was a great and nice man every time i talked to him he had a smile on his face i am really sorry this happened.*

**Jon Allen** - April 19, 2017 at 05:45 AM

JC

*I will never forget my Friend Andy. He looked out for me in elementary school like he was my big brother. All through school we had that special bond. As we grew to adults not seeing each other as much turned into brother hood. I am truly sorry I live in Florida and can't pay my tribute to a great man who I will truly miss in person. Till we meet again my Big Brother ❤️❤️🙏🇺🇸🥲🥲🥲*

**James Crawford** - April 19, 2017 at 07:50 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Andrew C. Helka.*



---

April 18, 2017 at 10:09 PM



“ *Sad news. Prayers for family*

---

**Brenda Garner** - April 18, 2017 at 06:52 PM



“ *ANDY WAS A VERY KIND PERSON ALWAYS A GREAT TIME WHEN YOU WERE AROUND HIM HAS BEEN MANY YEARS SINCE I HAVE SEEN HIM BUT ALWAYS WILL REMEMBER HIM AS A CUDDLY TEDDY BEAR RIP ANDY LOVE TO ALL THE FAMILY.*

---

**Mary lou Kolodziejczak** - April 18, 2017 at 06:09 PM



“ *Andy Helka Had a personality larger than life that encompassed you like a big bear hug. He had a nice smile that was infectious, Just like his persona. I remember when he remodeled My Parents home he as there everyday with his big smile, and a Laugh for my Dad. He will greatly be Missed by all who knew Him. Dick and Julie (Vincent) Parker*

---

**Julie A Parker** - April 18, 2017 at 05:03 PM



“ Oh I have alot of memories with Andy! Being one of my dad's best friends, i grew up as Andy like my uncle. My most favorite memories are how close him and ronnie (my husband) and him got over the last 4 years working together. Andy poured his heart into his construction business and he taught Ronnie alot of things!! We love you Andy and are going to miss you a ton! Xoxo

---

**Caitlin Terry** - April 18, 2017 at 04:37 PM