



## Hollie 'Mack' Spear Jr.

June 11, 1962 - January 29, 2024

We are sad to announce the passing of an incredible person who has touched the lives of many. Hollie E Spear Jr. passed away without warning on Monday January 29, 2024. His passing is an incredible loss not just for me, his wife of 35 years but also his family and children, grandchildren and other family and friends who have had the pleasure of knowing him and being a part of this incredibly generous person who enriched the lives of so many. Hollie passed leaving his wife Jennifer of 35 years and his beautiful family. His beloved mother, Sharon Spear, preceded in death by his beloved father Holly Spear Sr and many other treasured family. His sons, Addison (ne Grace), Jordan (ne Lizzy), Nick (ne Taleah), Tyler (ne Jennifer), Dewayne (ne Jessica), Chris (ne Melissa) and daughter Kassi. Sisters Shari and Spouse Chuck, nieces Kyle and Maeve, Sister Tina and children Nick, Bobbie Jo and Great Niece Lydia. Nieces Stephanie, Leonard and family all are grieving his untimely loss. His grandchildren numbered 14 – Including Kahli, Zander, Micheal, Dalton, Dane, Ayva, Emma. Rudy, Elliott, Louis, Blakely, Holden, Jamie and Violet and so many other kids who passed through is life including his exchange family, Tom, Simone, Caio and Finn. Hollie medically retired from the Oakland County Sheriff's Office in 2011 after 30 years of dedicated service. He rescued many, many animals and children in his 30 years of service and remained an advocate of all children and animals for all his 61 years. There was nothing Hollie liked more than spending time with his family, going off road with his jeep and supporting his boys in law enforcement. He also found a passion in

rescuing alligators and other wildlife while living in South Florida during the past 5 winters. Please join us for his memorial service on Sunday, February 4, 2024 at Dryers Funeral home in Holly at 12 pm to honor his life. We welcome all of his friends to share stories and memories of his incredible years from 4-5pm. A Celebration of Life will occur at 5 – 8 pm at the Holly Moose Lodge where he was a proud member for many years. In lieu of flowers you can bring in an unwrapped toy for a child or pet or the Alzheimer's Association.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 4. 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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

## Celebration of Life

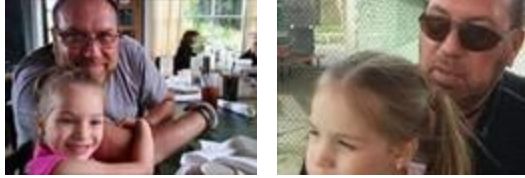
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# Tribute Wall

AY

“ *I miss you always*



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**Ayva** - September 06, 2024 at 08:10 PM

JT

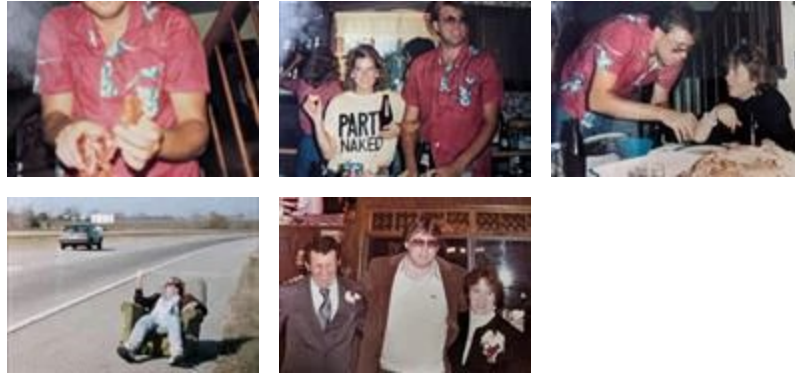
“ *Jen\*, and family, that is how Hollie as referred to you Jen\* when we saw him and when he talked about you. Deb and are so truly sorry for the loss of your husband, dad, father-in-law and Grandfather. He will truly be missed by all of you. He was a great man and a great friend to my brother Joe. Hollie always had a kind loving words to say about you and your family. When he was coming up north thru Grayling he alway made it a point to stop in the plant and say hi to all of us. Sometimes he was by himself, some times with Addison, and frequently with extended family of yours that you and Hollie raised to be reflect your values and kindness. We surely valued his visits, kindness, sense of humor, honesty and love of his family! Much love and prayers to all of you. Although he is gone he will watch over you from afar and will always be in your hearts. Much love to all of you and many prayers. sincerely, Jim and Debbie Tenbusch*

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**James F Tenbusch** - February 06, 2024 at 08:09 AM

TM

“ 11 files added to the tribute wall



Tina Matta - February 04, 2024 at 04:53 PM

AY

*I miss my grandfather so much. Grandpa we will never forget you we miss this has taken sight a toll on all of us. I love you and so dose anyone who ever met you rest in peace I love you for ever ayva*

Ayva - September 06, 2024 at 08:08 PM

TM

“ My brother once wrote "My favorite place to be would have to be a little place between East tawas and Oscoda Michigan, called Home. This place is 120 miles from Flint or two and a half hours. This place I call home is special for a couple of reasons, the first and most important is because that is where my family is. My father, mother, and two younger sisters all are there. Also all of my friends are there. I graduated from Oscoda High School, so consequently all of my friends are there. The other reason would be the beauty of the area. There are things you can see, smell, and hear, you can't see, smell or hear down here. Up there, you can see animals such as deer, wolves, Fox, squirrels, raccoon, beaver, and occasional bobcat or bear and other things. The sound of the fresh spring rain through the trees, also, we are just a couple of miles from the very beautiful AuSable River and Lumbermen's Monument. Or if you take a short drive just a couple of miles in the other direction, you have Lake Huron. All these are simple reasons why I call this home. The main reason is because the people I love the most are there, and my fondest memories are there. But nothing can describe the love and warmth that can be felt there. Home." He gave me the rough draft, and turned the final draft in. All these years, and I still have this paper. I kept it, it was beautiful, well put, and from my brother. I have known my brother, all of my life. I have known him as good, bad, kind, cruel, single, wild, married, brother, father, grandfather, police officer, hard worker, lazy, party animal, confidant, designated driver, best friend, enemy, funny guy, deep thinker, bipolar, depressed, happy, religious. I've known him in Florida, I've known him in Michigan. I will miss him for the rest of my life. Every part of him. Because if there's one thing I know, life won't be the same without him. I've lost my father and my brother within 10 months of each other, and it is Heartbreaking. My father taught me to push forward through hard times, and my brother told me to put one foot in front of the other, and we always have family and friends to catch us when we fall....and, he's right!



**Tina Matta** - February 04, 2024 at 04:42 PM

DR

*Thank you for sharing this thoughtful and insightful comment. We can only help we all have someone in our life to share such encompassing comments as you provided. Blessings  
Dr Heather Roebuck*

**Dr Heather Roebuck** - February 10, 2024 at 08:37 PM

KM

“ *Kathy Mayo lit a candle in memory of Hollie Spear*



**Kathy Mayo** - February 04, 2024 at 03:40 PM

CS

“ *My condolences. I remember fondly many evenings spent at the Spear household during high school. Hollie had such a great sense of humor. Our conversations and the life advice he gave me I will always appreciate.*

**Casey Sigg** - February 04, 2024 at 02:00 PM

AM

“ *Although I was not true family as he was just my brothers dad Hollie never treated me any different. He showed amazing love and compassion for me and my son. May his love continue to spread no matter who it is. Hollie thought us all to be accepting of everyone*

**Amie** - February 04, 2024 at 12:56 PM

RA

“ Rob Anderson purchased the Purple Open Rose with White Mums (Silk Cemetery Flowers) for the family of Hollie 'Mack' Spear Jr..



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**Rob Anderson** - February 03, 2024 at 08:41 PM

RA

“ Rob Anderson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Hollie 'Mack' Spear Jr..

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**Rob Anderson** - February 03, 2024 at 08:41 PM

JT

“ Joseph T. purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Hollie 'Mack' Spear Jr..



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**Joseph T.** - February 03, 2024 at 04:16 PM

JT

“ Joseph T. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Hollie 'Mack' Spear Jr..

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**Joseph T.** - February 03, 2024 at 04:16 PM

CO

“ Our deepest condolences for your family. He was so loved and will be missed so much. Love and prayers from Aunt Laura, Christie, Michael, Connie, Al, Adin and Quinn

Connie - February 03, 2024 at 03:54 PM

AQ

“ Aunt Laura, Christie, Michael, Connie, Al, Adin and Quinn planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Hollie 'Mack' Spear Jr..

Aunt Laura, Christie, Michael, Connie, Al, Adin and Quinn - February 03, 2024 at 03:45 PM

TF

“ The Shekell Family purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Hollie 'Mack' Spear Jr..



The Shekell Family - February 03, 2024 at 08:49 AM

MW

“ Michele Wright lit a candle in memory of Hollie Spear



Michele Wright - February 03, 2024 at 08:08 AM

FT

“ Fiona, Fran, Mick, Finn and Tara purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Hollie 'Mack' Spear Jr..



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**Fiona, Fran, Mick, Finn and Tara** - February 03, 2024 at 05:30 AM

FT

“ Fiona, Fran, Mick, Finn and Tara planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Hollie 'Mack' Spear Jr..

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**Fiona, Fran, Mick, Finn and Tara** - February 03, 2024 at 05:30 AM

KB

“ Kim B. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Hollie 'Mack' Spear Jr..

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**Kim B.** - February 02, 2024 at 07:00 PM



“ Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Hollie 'Mack' Spear Jr..



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February 02, 2024 at 04:16 PM

TG

“ The Carpet Guys planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Hollie 'Mack' Spear Jr..

The Carpet Guys - February 02, 2024 at 04:16 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Hollie 'Mack' Spear Jr..



February 02, 2024 at 08:21 AM

TT

“ The 1-800-Hansons Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Hollie 'Mack' Spear Jr..

The 1-800-Hansons Team - February 02, 2024 at 08:21 AM

SF

“ Sandy Farthing lit a candle in memory of Hollie Spear



Sandy Hansard Farthing - February 01, 2024 at 09:07 PM

SO

“ *SOCU planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Hollie 'Mack' Spear Jr..*

SOCU - February 01, 2024 at 04:48 PM

SC

“ *Sandy Cauley purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Hollie 'Mack' Spear Jr..*



Sandy Cauley - February 01, 2024 at 03:41 PM

SC

“ *Sandy Cauley planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Hollie 'Mack' Spear Jr..*

Sandy Cauley - February 01, 2024 at 03:41 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Hollie 'Mack' Spear Jr..*



February 01, 2024 at 01:07 PM

TF

“ *The Manetta Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Hollie 'Mack' Spear Jr..*

**The Manetta Family** - February 01, 2024 at 01:07 PM

DB

“ *Dale and Justine Barger purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Hollie 'Mack' Spear Jr..*



**Dale and Justine Barger** - February 01, 2024 at 11:35 AM

LC

“ *Lisa Cunningham lit a candle in memory of Hollie Spear*



**Lisa Cunningham** - February 01, 2024 at 11:14 AM

TY

“ *Tiffany Y. purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Hollie 'Mack' Spear Jr..*



**Tiffany Y.** - February 01, 2024 at 09:38 AM

TY

“ Tiffany Y. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Hollie 'Mack' Spear Jr..

Tiffany Y. - February 01, 2024 at 09:38 AM

LF

“ Loga, Hiltz, Hiltz, & Mead Families purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Hollie 'Mack' Spear Jr..



Loga, Hiltz, Hiltz, & Mead Families - January 31, 2024 at 05:33 PM

JF

“ Jill & Justin Barger & our families purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Hollie 'Mack' Spear Jr..



Jill & Justin Barger & our families - January 31, 2024 at 04:56 PM

JF

“ Jill & Justin Barger & our families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Hollie 'Mack' Spear Jr..

Jill & Justin Barger & our families - January 31, 2024 at 04:56 PM

DB

“ I am so saddened to hear of Hollie's passing. He was a valued friend and colleague, will be sorely missed. My sincere condolences to the family.



Daniel J. Bowen - January 31, 2024 at 12:22 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Hollie 'Mack' Spear Jr..



January 31, 2024 at 10:37 AM

BA

“ Uncle Holly will be missed by our family. We were fortunate enough to be able to spend many birthdays and vacations with him and Aunt Jenny. Rest in peace. ❤️

Brenda Arthur - January 31, 2024 at 10:21 AM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Hollie 'Mack' Spear Jr..



January 31, 2024 at 10:20 AM

LF

“ Love Dean and Brenda Arthur & Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Hollie Spear Jr..

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**Love Dean and Brenda Arthur & Family** - January 31, 2024 at 10:20 AM