



## William Frederick Butts Sr.

May 30, 1954 - April 1, 2018

William Frederick Butts Sr., 63, of Holly, passed away April 1, 2018.

William was born in Holly Michigan to Glen and Shirley Butts on May 30, 1954.

He went to High School at Holly High School and graduated in 1972.

He went on to join Grand Trunk railroad in 1976 where he started out as a switchman, and worked his way through the ranks and held the positions of brakeman, conductor and engineer. He held the position of engineer until retirement in 2014.

He loved spending time with his family and working on the family farm and especially loved his John Deere tractors.

He was preceded in death by parents Glen and Shirley Butts.

William, or "Pop" as he was called by all of his kids and grandchildren was survived by wife Shirley Ann Butts, children Peggy and Norman Dawson, Jim and Christa Bondeson, Geni Bondeson-Claus and Marc Prevost, Bill Jr. and Vickie Butts, Jason and MariSara Butts, Jeff and Jamie Butts along with 14 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren.

Siblings, (Sis) Lynn Echoff and late husband John Echoff, Leonard and Lynda Thompson Butts, Joseph and Ruth Marsden-Butts, Jeff Butts, Marjorie VanWagoner, Jody and Dave Piscopink, Melissa Butts, Carrie Miller, Dave and Lesley Butts and numerous nieces and nephews. Visitation will be from 2-5 PM Wed. April 4, 2018 at the Dryer Funeral Home, Holly. [www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com](http://www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 4. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Dryer Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of William Frederick Butts Sr.*



**Dryer Funeral Home, Inc.** - April 04, 2018 at 12:02 PM

MM

*Very nice,,, what a great man and a beautiful family, ...*

**Mike morgan** - April 07, 2018 at 12:43 PM

DS

“ *So very saddened to hear of Bill's passing. He was a pleasure to know, work with, and share a laugh. He was a fine railroader, and a trusted comrade. My sincere condolences to his family and friends. Rest easy Bill... and thanks for the memories.*

*Donald G. Swarbrick*

**Donald G. Swarbrick** - April 07, 2018 at 06:55 PM

SA

“ *We are incredibly saddened to hear the news of Bill's passing. We have worked closely with him on a couple of projects. He was always cutting up and cracking jokes. He definitely made us smile with every encounter. Many prayers for the family.*

*Rest Easy Bill!*

*RetroFoam of Michigan Team*

**Stacey Ashley** - April 06, 2018 at 12:22 PM

JV

“ *Sorry to hear of Bills passing. He was a good guy to work with, and a good railroader. Always had a way to make me laugh. My sympathies go out to the family. Jim Vandendries*

**Jim Vandendries** - April 05, 2018 at 07:45 AM

M1

“ *The Holly High School Class of 1979 is sending our deepest condolences and our sincere sympathy to our Classmates Joe Butts, Jody, Marjorie, Terry and all of your family members of the passing of your beloved brother William Frederick Jr. Butts.*

*Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you during this very difficult time. Peace.*



Marti Addis Goforth HHS Class of 1979 - April 04, 2018 at 08:31 PM

SD

“ *Just saw the obituary didn't know he was ill. So sorry for your family's loss. I worked will Bill for many years. I was in the Dispatching office so I didn't see him but a few times but for years I talked with him every day. He was always in good spirits and had a little joke for no matter what was going on. I enjoyed working with him everyday. He was a good railroad man. Again so sorry for your loss.*

*Scott D. Maidment*

Scott D.Maidment - April 04, 2018 at 03:36 PM

JV

*So sorry for your loss. Worked with Bill for quite a while. Darned nice guy. Jim PP Vandendries*

james Vandendries - April 05, 2018 at 08:25 AM

BS

“ *Bill was a good man to work with, sometimes as opinionated as myself but always in good cheer. Deepest sympathy to the family.*

*Bob Siddock*

Bob Siddock - April 04, 2018 at 03:22 PM



“ 25 files added to the album LifeTributes



Dryer Funeral Home, Inc. - April 04, 2018 at 10:51 AM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of William Frederick Butts Sr..*



April 03, 2018 at 06:40 PM

WJ

“ *6 files added to the tribute wall*



William Butts Jr - April 03, 2018 at 10:12 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of William Frederick Butts Sr..*



April 03, 2018 at 09:37 AM

WJ

“ *The most hard working, giving man I've ever known. Pop had a heart of gold and absolutely loved his entire family. He loved being a goof ball and had a great sense of humor. Strong as an ox but wouldn't harm a flea. I loved this man with all my heart, and made sure I told him often. R.I.P. and breath easy, you will always be remembered!*



William Butts Jr - April 03, 2018 at 07:53 AM

AC

“ *Andy Ruth And Cate lit a candle in memory of William Frederick Butts Sr.*



Andy Ruth and Cate - April 03, 2018 at 07:22 AM

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“ *Andy Ruth & Cate lit a candle in memory of William Frederick Butts Sr.*



Andy Ruth & Cate - April 03, 2018 at 07:21 AM

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“ *Çorey,tabithia,Vickie lit a candle in memory of William Frederick Butts Sr.*



Çorey,tabithia,Vickie - April 03, 2018 at 04:03 AM

WF

“ *So sad to hear of Bill's passing. Remember him from High School. Very nice Guy. He and my husband Randy Fishback were also Good Friends. Lost track of Bill some years ago. But thought of him often. Wish he could have made it to our Reunions.  
With Deepest Sympathy, Wendy & Randy Fishback.*

Wendy Fishback - April 03, 2018 at 12:29 AM

YF

“ *Your New Millennium Fitness Family purchased the Sentiment s of Serenity Spray for the family of William Frederick Butts Sr..*



Your New Millennium Fitness Family - April 02, 2018 at 03:45 PM