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Big Rapids - Darwin James Thorpe, Sr., 69, of Rogers Heights, passed away Tuesday, April 17, 2018, at his residence.

He was born November 22, 1948, in Marquette County, MI, the son of Frank and Mary (Narovich) Thorpe. After graduation from high school, Darwin joined the U. S. Army, and was stationed in Korea with the Eighth Infantry Division. Following his discharge, he returned to Stanwood, and has lived in the area since.

On October 17, 1986, he married Beverly Sutton, who survives. Also surviving are his daughter Mary (Jerry) Petersen of Stanwood, his son Darwin, Jr., of Stanwood, and his daughter Debra Vanliew of Arkansas; 5 grandchildren; 2 great-grandchildren, (with one more on the way); his sister Charlotte Reel of South Haven; his brother Alan of Fleming, GA; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services for Darwin will be 11:00 a.m., Saturday, April 21, 2018 at the Rogers Heights Christian Church, with Elder Scott Davidson officiating. A luncheon will follow immediately at the church. Burial will be in the Ladner Cemetery in Rogers Heights. Memorial contributions in his name may be made to the church, or to Spectrum Health Hospice.



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BB

Barbara Blake posted:

Allen Thorpe, sorry to hear of your brother passing. May God give you and all his family peace and comfort.

April 20 at 8:00 PM

VT

Vicki Buffin (Tetzlaff) posted:

Dear Bev. I am so sorry for your loss.. hugs... I will keep you in my thoughts

April 19 at 8:00 PM

RT

Robert Allen Thorpe posted:

I have thought about so many memories we shared as brothers, and with Charlotte. I love you my brother. I'm glad you are no longer in pain, because you endured so much pain in your lifetime. Til we meet again, you remain in my heart always!

April 19 at 8:00 PM

KG

Ken And Julie Gilchrist lit a candle in honor of Darwin.

We send our deepest condolences to you and the family. We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers.

April 19 at 8:00 PM



RT

Robert Allen Thorpe posted:

I have remembered so many things Darwin an I did in our younger . So many memories of our life. I will always love him and am glad he is feeling no more pain in his life because he endured a lot of pain. I love you, my brother, always.

April 19 at 8:00 PM

SG

Shelly (Addington) Gostlin lit a candle in honor of Darwin.

Beverly, so sorry to hear about your loss. Take care and may God wrap you in his loving arms during this time and always.

April 18 at 8:00 PM





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CR

Charlotte Thorpe Reel lit a candle in honor of Darwin.

Loved my brother and it was fun growing up with him. He made me a hope chest in wood shop showing me just how much I meant to him. Sorry to lose him but so glad he is in a better place and will suffer no more.



April 18 at 8:00 PM

JV

Joe Vanliew posted:

Our deepest condolences. Darwin was always nice to me and taught me a thing or 2 about pool. He will be missed. Rest in peace sir.

April 18 at 8:00 PM

AM

Ann & Larry Miller posted:

Our condolences to Bev and the family. Darwin is fondly remembered by his former neighbor on 10 Mile Road.

April 18 at 8:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Darwin by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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