



# Cary Lynn Niles

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**M**ecosta - Cary L. Niles, 67, formerly of Lansing, passed away unexpectedly on October 28, 2021, in his home in Mecosta, MI.

He was born August 27, 1954, in Lansing, MI, the son of Richard and Yvonne (Naramor) Niles. In 1972, Cary graduated from J.W. Sexton High School and during his high school years he was a member of the basketball team. The team was inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame in 2016. The team remembers him as an awesome teammate that helped make the team a great one.

Cary started his professional career at Sparrow Hospital in Lansing as a technician. He left Sparrow Hospital in 1988 to start his own business. Later in his career, he moved into sales and was very successful due to his charismatic character.

He loved to fish and hunt, and considered himself an expert. Cary knew all the best fishing tricks, and which lures and bait would catch the biggest fish. He kept his fishing spots top secret. He would joke with his nephews often because he was 'the expert'. He also loved animals, especially his dog Etta James. Etta followed him everywhere and they had a special bond. He loved music and had an extensive collection of blues and jazz records which he loved to listen to on his surround sound at the highest level. Cary also was an exceptional dancer which he gracefully passed on to his children and grandchildren.

People describe Cary as a giver, a friend, a listening ear, he loved to talk and could provide insightful thoughts and ideas on just about any topic. He was always up to date on the current events and welcomed all opinions. He had a good memory of the past and told great stories to his family. Cary will be missed dearly, by the Mecosta community and his family.

Cary is survived by his daughter and granddaughter Kathrine Niles and Adalyn Marentette; his son and grandson David Niles and Thomas Niles; his brothers Wayne (Judy) Niles and Craig (Michele) Niles. He was preceded in death by his parents and



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brother James Niles.

A celebration of his life will be planned at a later date. Memorial contributions in his name may be made to the family for final expenses. Care and arrangements are entrusted to the Mohnke Funeral Home in Big Rapids. Share a memory or express condolences at [mohnkefuneralhome.com](http://mohnkefuneralhome.com).



## Tribute Wall

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RC

**Randall Carlson** posted:

This saddens me deeply. Cary was a co-worker and fishing buddy about 30 years ago. I hadn't seen him since about 2000. We just lost touch. Rest in peace, Cary.

July 11 at 7:46 PM

MG

**Michael Guty** lit a candle in honor of Cary.

Knew Cary well for number of years, 1980-1995. Worked together with him, with Tim Geraldo-lots of good times, lots of laughs! Many of Routine-toutin conversations, hardy laughs, pranks and jokes!! Could always count on Cary for a lively conversation! M



June 17 at 8:00 PM

MG

**Mike Grove** posted:

RIP Brother! Condolences to Cary's family. Hope time and good memories ease your loss. Cary and I had some great years fishing Little Crystal and surrounding lakes. Had more fun than we should have. I remember Cary's father telling us as we hea

December 12 at 8:00 PM

RN

**Robert Niles** lit a candle in honor of Cary.

Uncle Cary, I can see all 4 of you smiling!! I am thankful for the things you taught me. Both directly, and indirectly. ;) I will miss seeing you around. I can see the 4 of you up there, smiling, with all those smirks from gpa, gma, Jim and you. I wil



December 8 at 8:00 PM

BB

**Brian And Ginny Bell** posted:

Our condolences to the Niles family on Cary's departure. Cary always had a big heart, especially as seen in his care for his mother over the years. He often shared his fish catch with us on our visits to Pretty Lake. Cary, rest in peace !

November 8 at 8:00 PM



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**Steve And Diana Lett** posted:

We are so sorry to hear about Cary. We are thinking of you and your family and keeping you in our prayers.

November 5 at 8:00 PM



**Ashley** lit a candle in honor of Cary.

Cary always made me laugh. Haven't seen him in over 10 years. I remember always ice fishing with him and his son and riding snow mobiles. He made the good food too! Many memories. Rest in peace Cary. Never really said goodbye to you years ago unfortuna



November 3 at 8:00 PM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

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



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