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**R**obert Clare Prentice, age 68, of Sparta formerly of Six Lakes, passed away unexpectedly at his home May 4, 2018.

He was born on December 2, 1949, in Kalkaska the son of Sherman and Eva (McCall) Prentice. Robert was raised in Kalkaska and attended Kalkaska Public Schools. At age eighteen, Robert served his country honorably in the army for four years in Vietnam. Upon his discharge, he went on to serve another four years with the Army National Guard.

He was a butcher at the IGA in Six Lakes when he met Debora, who he married on April 27, 1974, at Faith United Methodist Church in Edmore. Robert continued his education at Montcalm Community College earning a Construction Degree. Robert started Prentice Construction at which he ran over forty years, never really retiring.

Robert was known by friends and family for his wonderful sense of humor. He enjoyed gardening, woodworking; especially building decorative boxes, and mushrooming in Spring. He loved animals, and even hung Christmas lights in the woods, because he thought deer needed Christmas too.

Robert will be missed by his loving wife of forty-four years Debora Lee Prentice of Sparta; children Amy Prentice of Louisville, Kentucky, and Andrew Prentice of Sparta; special pets Oscar and Minnie; two grand-dogs Ragnar and Dexter; grand-kitty Boots; two brothers Leroy (Nancy) Prentice of Saint Helen, and Tom (Allison) Prentice of Tennessee; brother-in-laws Dennis Raglin of Stanton, and Marty Raglin of Colorado; sister-in-law Kathy (Steve) Moore of Wayland; and several nieces, nephews, and friends.

Robert will be met in heaven by his parents Sherman and Eva Prentice. A Celebration of Robert's life will take place on Friday, May 11, 2018, from 1pm-3pm at Lakeview Free Methodist Church, with Pastor Ted Johnson officiating. A luncheon will be immediately following the service at the church.



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Those wishing to contribute in Robert's memory are asked to consider either the Humane Society or Hospice of your choice.



## Tribute Wall

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OL

**Olivia** posted:

Love you Andy, I am so sorry, but you know I never knew someone that could be so ornery and loved for it then your dad. One thing though, I'm sure he, ll have some good conversation with Mont!! If he can get a word in that is. He will be missed that, s for sure but he will be just fine. In fact between the two of them we'll probably have a stairway to heaven soon! Love u, Olie

May 9 at 8:00 PM

MM

**Marti McConnell** posted:

Deb, I read about Bob's passing in the paper today. Wanted you to know I'm thinking about you and your family. Marti (Old Big L Friend)

May 7 at 8:00 PM

WA

**Ward** lit a candle in honor of Robert.

you will be missed you won't be forgotten love ya Bob.

May 7 at 8:00 PM



CW

**Cheryl Weld** posted:

Neil and I wouldn't have known what to do if we didn't have all your help over the years. You sure well be missed by a lot of people. My you Rest In Peace our friend!!! 🙏🙏🙏

May 7 at 8:00 PM

KL

**Kim Lumbert** lit a candle in honor of Robert.

My favorite memory with Bob was when I got the pleasure of driving him to Ohio and listen to some of the stories about when he was in Vietnam. No matter what kind of bad day I was having I could walk down the block and he always had a funny story to tell.....we love you Mr. Prentice and you will be greatly missed...rest easy my friend and I will see you again someday.

May 6 at 8:00 PM





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TL

**Tyler Lumbert** lit a candle in honor of Robert.

Wish I could have talked to you and saw you at least one last time before you left. Great man help anyone he could at anytime. May be gone but never forgotten. Always be a part of my life and memories. Rest easy hope heaven treats you right.

May 6 at 8:00 PM



SK

**Sarah King** lit a candle in honor of Robert.

Six months ago we had a great evening on Amy's back porch talking, laughing and enjoying a great extended family. We talked about past present and future plans on spending holidays cooking. At the time I couldn't enjoy the sweets and drinks they were having that evening due to my bodybuilding Comp that was just a week away. He always liked taking care of his daddy's girl (Amy). He loved to fix things around the house for her. He always looked forward to the list of things Amy needed him to help and fix around her house when he would visit. He was getting around so good with his new knee replacement. I feel very blessed to get a big Bobs hug&kiss and a I love you before I left. I don't think I have ever met anyone more talented than Bob . He could build anything! You will be deeply missed & never forgotten, love you Bob.Sarah King

May 6 at 8:00 PM





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

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



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