



## William "Bill" Collard

September 10, 1941 - December 10, 2016

William M. "Bill" Collard, 75, of Florence, Wisconsin died December 10, 2016.

He was born in Owosso, MI, the son of Merle and Margaret (Schlaack) Collard. Bill was employed 1965 thru 1982 with General Motors – Buick in Flint, MI; Grede Foundries thru 2008; and as a private foundry consultant thru 2013. Bill was involved in many industry and local associations but is remembered most for his strong character, personality, and knowing the value of work.

He leaves his beloved wife, Marcia and his sons, Merle and Mike both of whom reside near Louisville KY. He also leaves siblings, Robert, Bonnie Rogers, David, Margot Rust, Greg, and Rebecca Maybaugh from Owosso, MI. He leaves grandchildren, Trevor Berndt, Rebecca, Alexander, Matthew, Madelyn, Brayden and great-grandchildren, Kennedy Berndt and Sydney Berndt in addition to several nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his brother, Tom from Owosso, MI.

The family will be holding private service.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Bill Collard online at [www.ernashfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ernashfuneralhomes.com).

The family has entrusted the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home with the arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Service -Nelson-House Funeral Homes in Owosso, MI

DEC 16. 9:00 AM (CT)

Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home

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# Tribute Wall



“ Dear Marcia and family of Bill,

*I remember Bill with much admiration, and am deeply saddened by his passing. You have my deepest sympathy.*

*He was such a strong man inwardly and outwardly. He always had the most subtle sense of humor that always left a smile on your face, Marcia. It's what I liked best about him, although he had so many great qualities.*

*Please know you are in my prayers as well as my boys, Adam and Brent and families, and Carlye. All are saddened by this loss.*

*Now he rests in God's arms, free from all pain and illness.*

*With much love,  
Nancy Buchcuski*

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**Nancy Buchcuski** - December 16, 2016 at 11:37 AM



“ Marcia, I was saddened to hear of Bill's passing, he was a great guy. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

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**Mary Spigarelli** - December 15, 2016 at 12:01 PM



“ Amazing Arboricola was purchased for the family of William "Bill" Collard.



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December 15, 2016 at 10:19 AM

RW

“ *Richard and Marilyn Warsing purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of William "Bill" Collard.*



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**Richard and Marilyn Warsing** - December 15, 2016 at 08:37 AM

DF

“ *My thoughts and Prayers are with Bill's Family. Bill was one the best in the Foundry Industry I had the pleasure to work with in my 48 years in the industry. Whar a Grwat leader he was.*

*Danny Finn*

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**Danny Finn** - December 14, 2016 at 06:08 PM

EP

“ *Marcia, my condolences on the passing of your husband Bill. I am keeping you and your family in my prayers.*  
*Elaine Pierce*

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**Elaine Pierce** - December 13, 2016 at 02:32 PM

RS

“ *Randy and Suzi purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of William "Bill" Collard.*



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**Randy and Suzi** - December 13, 2016 at 10:07 AM

KS

“ *My condolences to the family. I enjoyed working with Bill at Grede. He was a great coworker and I loved his sense of humor! Ken Stenfors*

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**Ken Stenfors** - December 13, 2016 at 08:32 AM

MA

“ *So sorry to hear of Bill's passing. We both learned so much from Bill during our time at the plant in Kingsford. What a great man he was !! Marilyn & Bill Vassar*

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**Marilyn** - December 13, 2016 at 07:21 AM

AB

“ *So sad to hear of Bill's passing. We shared a lot of memories working together for many years. A good man with a big heart and a great friend. Will always remember you B.C.*



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**Andy Baumgartner** - December 12, 2016 at 08:44 PM

AH

“ *Marsha and family, I am so saddened to hear about the passing of Bill. I will always cherish the memories of him with my daughter, Alex, when Marsha would watch her for me many years ago. He was so very kind and always had a smile on his face. I am praying for all of you to get through this challenging time. Prayers and big hugs to all of you. Sincerely, Ann and Alex Hammond*

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**Ann Hammond** - December 12, 2016 at 05:19 PM

DT

*Marcia so sorry for your loss. He will be missed from all. May God be with you in this difficult time. Ron and Della Rochon*

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**Della Tochon** - December 13, 2016 at 04:49 PM