



believed in Dancing into Sunset’s success when it all started back in 2017 with only 50 in attendance – The Silverado Band! Plus, it was Wesco Popcorn Night! Free popcorn while it lasted. The weather this night.....well, someone turned on the “furnace.” The air was hot and thick, and staying cool was not going to be easy. So the decision was made by the band and myself to move indoors to the Fruitport High School Cafeteria where the air conditioning was welcome, and the music and dancing went off without a hitch. Especially when the storm hit shortly after the dance started. Lightning lite up the sky with roars of thunder to follow. Then the rain came down with vengeance. The first Fruitport home football game got delayed and the cheerleaders, of whom some were “seniors,” joined in so the “alumni seniors” could teach a few line dance routines. What wonderful camaraderie between the two generations. Such an unplanned few minutes was quite amazing to watch. Thank you to all for a great regular season. Thank you, Woody, MacKenzie, and Tom, for believing in me and sticking with me from the beginning. Thank you to the Fruitport High School for supporting this local community event. BUT even though this was the last Thursday night we still had more dancing and music to be had the following week. To “officially” close out Dancing into Sunset Fruitport, we were moving to Tuesday the 29th once again with Scottville Clown Band who wants to be a regular to close us out each season. Let’s see how many Clowns we can fit under the bandshell this year. In 2022 it was 51.....

Week 13 – Tuesday August 29th – Well, they did it!

The Scottville Clown Band broke their own record and had over 60 musical clowns wanting to play at Dancing into Sunset Fruitport, which carried us into the FULL moonlight. Amazing!!!! In order to help with parking flow, for the first time our very own Trolley was provided to shuttle fans from the Fruitport High School parking lot to Pomona Park. What a treat..... I was able to ask some of those that rode the Trolley if it was helpful with getting them to and from the park and received all thumbs up. I also added two new vendors for the night to help feed those in attendance. We welcomed for the evening Smoke N Ashes and Dodgers’ Doggies for dinner, and Cookie Joy joined Carlson’s Almonds for dessert. Again, those I spoke with were pleased with the choices of the food available.



With the close of the evening, it was time to say so long, and good bye to such a wonderful, enjoyable season. From the Memory Journal and all the written comments, the community diffidently wants Dancing into Sunset Fruitport to continue on. I have already started booking the bands for next season and will work on obtaining the sponsors to cover their cost. So, if anyone would like to join the growing list of sponsors which we all appreciate please have them contact:

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Please make sure and thank the sponsors we had this season so they will all want to come back and support this wonderful Free community

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weekly event in 2024.

Till next time..... May tomorrow be a perfect day, May you find love and laughter along the way, and May God keep you in His tender care until we are together again. Good night, everybody!

Marvin A. Anderson
10/27/1937 - 4/4/2023



Marvin A. Anderson passed away on Tuesday, April 4th, 2023. He was born in Muskegon, Michigan on October 27th, 1937, to Albert & Helen Elva Anderson (Krieger) and raised in Fruitport, MI. Marvin is survived by his lovely wife of 65 years, Marlene Anderson (nee Farkas); his daughters, Tracy Wilhelm (IL), Debra Keiler (Jim) (WI); his grandchildren, Nicole Klinger (John) (NJ), Alex Keiler (WI) and Stephanie Griggs (John) (WI), Brent Metz (Allie) and family (IL) and Brittany Morrisette (Dan) and family (IL). He is also survived by his four great-grandchildren, Jack, Robert & Vivienne Klinger and Callahan Griggs; as well as two sisters, Betty Anderson (MI) and Marilyn Sanborn (MI). Marvin was self-employed in the plastics industry for many years before retiring in 1998. He loved coming back home to Michigan to visit family & friends over the years. He loved to go down in his basement full of die-cast model cars, watch old John Wayne movies, and put together family photo albums. He also loved his backyard swing and fire pit; he loved classic cars, puttering around and inventing in his garage. He leaves behind many family members and friends in IL, WI, WA, MI, OH, and TX and a very special friend and neighbor, Manu Graczyk, who has been so helpful in their lives. He is preceded in death by his beloved son, Jeffrey Scott. A graveside memorial service took place Saturday, July 29th, 2023, at Pinehill Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in Marvin’s name to Avenues to Independence, 515 Busse Hwy., Park Ridge, IL, 60068. <https://avenuestoindependence.org/contribute/>

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Betty Anderson
4/11/1940 - 7/31/2023



Fruitport, MI - Betty L. Anderson passed away on July 31st, 2023, in Muskegon, Michigan. Betty was born in Muskegon, Michigan, on April 11, 1940, to Albert and Helen Elva Anderson (Krieger) and raised in Fruitport, MI. Betty is preceded in death by her brother Marvin (Marlene) Anderson (IL), nephew Jeff Anderson (IL), and dear family friends Jan and Ed Fry (IN). Betty is survived by her sister, Marilyn Sanborn (MI), nephew Rick Sanborn (Beth), niece Brenda Sanborn, Sister-in-Law Marlene Anderson (Marvin) (IL), niece Tracy Wilhelm (IL), and niece Debbie Keiler (Jim) (WI) along with many other family members and cherished family friends, including very dear, lifelong, friends Barb and Jerry Lahнала (MI) and Cindy Tart (MI). Betty attended Fruitport Schools, Muskegon High School, and Western Michigan University where

she obtained a Bachelor’s Degree in Dietary Nutrition. Her career as a Dietician took her to St. Paul, Minnesota and Goshen, Indiana. She returned to Fruitport in the late 70s to help care for her father and where she subsequently retired. Betty’s love for lighthouses took her and her sister Marilyn to all the lighthouses in Michigan, touring a handful every summer for many years. She was a very independent “no-nonsense” woman who loved to bake and was very creative. A master at cross-stitching, needlepoint, crocheting, knitting, and even pottery at one point. She made great surprise Christmas boxes for her loved ones, often filled with an assortment of handmade gifts, she was an avid reader and enjoyed bike rides, long walks, bird watching, and puzzles.

A graveside memorial service took place Saturday, August 12th, at Pine Hill Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in Betty’s name to Michigan Lighthouse Conservancy, P.O. Box 973 Fenton, MI. 48430. michiganlights.com/Organization.htm

Clock Funeral Home

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Young, Jerry (Skip)
1/31/1948 - 8/1/2023



Muskegon - Jerry (Skip) Raynor Young, (75), of Muskegon, Michigan, died Monday, August 1, surrounded by his family including his four children, James Young, Amanda Young, Patrick Young, and Nolan Young.


Skip grew up in Muskegon, and after graduating from Muskegon High School, voluntarily joined the Army where he proudly served the military for 4 years, including a tour in the Vietnam war. A short time after his return to Muskegon he moved to Vero Beach, Florida, where he trained to become a police officer. He went on to serve as an officer in Boyne City, Michigan, where he was also a member of the Boyne City Volunteer Fire Department. During the course of his career, he returned to Muskegon and served as a police officer for Fruitport Township, Roosevelt Park, and as a Muskegon County Deputy.

Skip coached the Muskegon Chiefs Travel Hockey Team and recreational Baseball teams. He also played in recreational hockey throughout his life and participated in the Guns and Hoses (police department against fire department) game every year throughout his tenor at Fruitport Township Police Department. He enjoyed being a part of the community as he refereed for local high school football teams and umpired local baseball games. Skip played a huge role in his kids’ lives and supported them in whatever direction they wanted pursue. He had a passion for cooking and eating at new restaurants with family and friends which inspired Nolan in his career as a chef. His love and support of music evolved into Patrick creating a band called Amoura (see iTunes).

He loved his community and there wasn’t a place that he would go he didn’t know someone or say hi. He was gentle soul that put others first and had a good sense of humor with a soft spot for animals.

Skip was born to Jerry and Doris Young, January 31, 1948. He is survived by his four children: Amanda and James and their mother Suzanne Adams; Patrick and Nolan and their mother Mary Barton and his grandchildren: Eleana, Addie, Violet, Emory, and Gideon. He is also survived by his twin brother, Tom and his wife Diane Young, and their children, Cindy Witham and her husband Chris, Joe Young with his wife Daphne. Tom and Skip were participants in the Veteran Affairs Agent Orange Study where they studied the long term effects on health with the exposure of agent orange.

His final act of service was donating his body to research and development for science. A celebration of life will be planned for a later date.



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