



## Leon Anthony Verderese

May 8, 2023

Leon Anthony Verderese, age 79, of Sweetwater, formerly of Otisville, MI, passed away on Monday, May 8, 2023. He attended First United Methodist Church and First Baptist Church in Sweetwater. He was a former schoolteacher and computer programmer. Leon was also a member of the Sweetwater Lion's Club.

Left to cherish his memory is his wife of thirty years, Karen Verderese of Sweetwater; step-daughters, Bonnie Challenger of Flint, Michigan; Jerilyn (Jason) Denney of Loudon, TN; step-son, Dale (Amy) Dosh of Otisville, MI; sister, Ellen Samaniego of CA; brother, Larry Verderese of NY; grandchildren and families, Tiffani (Eric) Chapman, Eleanor, Barry William Burbank, Zaniel, Halena, Lynn (Shane) Cox, Emry, Aliyah, Harper, Brayden; Spencer Dosh, Emily Dosh, Steven (Katie) Osmond, Krista Osmond, Zayden, Xavyer, and Onnaleigh.

The family will receive friends on Saturday, May 27, 2023, at Kyker Funeral Home Sweetwater from 10:00 AM until 11:00 AM, followed by an 11:00 AM Celebration of Life with Deacon Phil Hall officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to First United Methodist Church or First Baptist Church of Sweetwater.

Kyker Funeral Home in Sweetwater is honored to be serving the Vanderese Family.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 27. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Leon was a next door and elementary school friend. After graduation 1962 we lost touch but in 2022 I was blessed to have the opportunity to meet and share great memories once again in our neighborhood before he sold the property. It was closure for me and I would imagine him. He was an easy going and very respected man who left a wonderful legacy. Rest In Peace dear friend.

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**Shirley Gagne** - January 08, 2024 at 12:15 PM

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“ John and I were neighbors with Leon when we lived in Sweetwater. He was a kind and caring person whom we enjoyed talking to. I'm sure that he would love to know how many friends he made in his new hometown who will cherish his memory. Condolences to Karen and his family.

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**Louise Barnes** - May 10, 2023 at 09:56 AM