



Emmett "Butch" Stephen Kucka Sr.

December 31, 1945 - September 21, 2025

Emmett S. "Butch" Kucka, age 79, of Detroit, passed away peacefully at his home on September 21, 2025.

Born on December 31, 1945, in Pontiac, Michigan, Emmett was the son of the late Stephen J. and Beulah (née Hubarth) Kucka. He proudly worked for many years at Detroit Edison as a truck mechanic and driver, where he was known for his strong work ethic and steady presence.

Butch found joy in the simple pleasures of life — hunting, fishing, and most especially, spending quality time with his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. He also cherished the companionship of his good friend and neighbor, Bill.

Emmett is survived by his children: Emmett Kucka Jr., and Kellie Coleman. He was preceded in death by his daughter Francine Willingham and stepson Ronald Kaczynski.

He was a proud grandfather to Daniel (Jelleca) Kohut, Tiffany (Josh) Thick, Ashley (Scott) Sullivan, Todd (Paige) Willingham, Samantha (Joe) Coatsworth, Caden Coleman, and Louise Kucka., and great-grandfather to Hunter, Claire, Atlas, Hayden, Grace, Marion, Nick, Liam, Anthony, Ashlynn, Ryker, Lucas, Laut'en, Laylee, Landon, Sophia, and Loreliee.

Emmett was preceded in death by his siblings Matthew, Steven, Mike, and Patricia. He is lovingly remembered by his surviving siblings Maria Margaret, Frank, and Jack.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, September 27, from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM

at Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 46401 Ann Arbor Road West (between Sheldon and Beck), Plymouth, Michigan. A funeral service will follow at 3:00 PM at the funeral home.

To share a memory or leave a message for the family, please visit the "Share a Memory" tab on the funeral home's website.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 27. 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home Plymouth
46401 Ann Arbor Road West
Plymouth, MI 48170
(734) 459-2250
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Funeral Service

SEP 27. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ All our love, Jan, Jeff, Jen, Steve & Kate planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Emmett "Butch" Stephen Kucka Sr..

All our love, Jan, Jeff, Jen, Steve & Kate - September 25, 2025 at 10:28 PM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Emmett "Butch" Stephen Kucka Sr..



September 25, 2025 at 01:17 PM



“ Uncle Butch always welcomed me into his home as a child. I spent countless overnights there as kid. His stories of hunting and fishing always fascinated me. I know he had it really hard at the end of life and I am thankful he is at peace now. He will be forever missed. Keeping you all in prayer.



Patty Hansen - September 24, 2025 at 08:16 PM

KC

“ Kellie Coleman lit a candle in memory of Emmett "Butch" Stephen Kucka Sr.



Kellie Coleman - September 24, 2025 at 07:16 PM

KC

“ There are so many memories to pick just one. I keep reminiscing back to my childhood, he taught me how to swim, even though he couldn't himself. Whenever I would get in trouble for something and sent to my room, he would sneak in during the night and put a bag of candy in my dresser drawer and tell me not to tell my mom, lol. He was my biggest fan, always supporting me in anything I set out to do, and always telling me how proud he was of me. I cherish our phone conversations we had until he couldn't hear anymore, then we would text sometimes for hours back and forth. I would share pictures with him of the animals coming through my yard, he loved seeing the deer pictures. It was hard seeing him suffer and decline the past year, but all the moments we spent together between doctors appointments or just sitting together not saying anything I'll forever hold in my heart . I love you daddy and I'll forever miss you. 💔

Kellie Coleman - September 24, 2025 at 07:15 PM

MF

“ Margaret and Family purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Emmett "Butch" Stephen Kucka Sr..



Margaret and Family - September 24, 2025 at 12:58 PM

TF

“ Tiffany,Ashley, Danny, Todd & family purchased the Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses for the family of Emmett "Butch" Stephen Kucka Sr..



Tiffany,Ashley, Danny, Todd & family - September 24, 2025 at 12:30 PM