



## Karl Raymond Gilewicz

March 14, 1957 - December 13, 2022

Karl Raymond Gilewicz, age 65 of Alden, MI passed away peacefully at home on Tuesday, December 13, 2022.

Karl was born to the late, Raymond Gilewicz, and Loretta Majewski on March 14, 1957, in Grosse Pointe, MI.

He married Carol Jocks in Dearborn, MI in 1986 they have been married for 37 years.

Karl was a musician, he loved vintage hot rods, and wooden boats.

He is survived by his wife Carol Gilewicz; two daughters Loretta Gilewicz, and Marguerite (Kwyn) Welty; one brother Stephen Gilewicz, and a sister Colette (Leonard) Gilewicz.

A private celebration of life will be held. In lieu of flowers memorials, may be made to your local animal shelter or school band program in Karl's name.

Arrangements provided by Wolfe-O'Neill Funeral Home, our family serving yours.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Karl Raymond Gilewicz*

January 30, 2023 at 04:02 AM



“ *Karl Raymond Gilewicz*

January 30, 2023 at 01:03 AM



“ *This absolutely just breaks my heart to pieces. Karl was such an amazing soul. He used to come into family video and give me all the right advice I didn't know I needed and a better friend than I could have asked for. I heard countless stories of his girls.. He was so proud of each of them. He loved his wife so deeply and when he talked about her you could see the love in his eyes. I can't imagine anyone making a brighter angel in heaven. RIP my friend, you will be so very missed.*

**Robin Weese** - December 16, 2022 at 08:24 PM



“ *When I started work at Family Video in 2013, Karl quickly became a favorite customer. I along with all the other staff at FV always looked forward to Karl coming in. He was an encourager. After awhile he became more friend than customer and we I left FV we stayed in contact. He continued to encourage me through many phases in my life and always supported the library I work at for even though it wasn't his home library. I will miss Karl! My thoughts go out the his family* 💜

**Kendall Spratt** - December 15, 2022 at 09:09 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Karl Raymond Gilewicz.*



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December 14, 2022 at 02:19 PM



“ *I have so many amazing memories of Karl, from playing with him at the ballroom in the big band to funking it up at the bowling alley with “Funk Shui”... it’s hard to choose just one. Truly, it was Karl’s faith in me and no-nonsense encouragement that helped to push me to pursue the highest degree possible in music and gave me the courage to take chances musically which led to my most exciting moments in my playing career. Karl, you’ll certainly be missed! But, now that you’re on the other side, your good vibes can be felt by so many more now who are looking and listening for guidance from the great beyond! Have fun at the great gig in the sky, my friend! I’m so grateful to have made music with you on this Earthly plane! <3*

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**Lexie** - December 14, 2022 at 12:52 PM



*Karl touched so many in so many ways on his life’s journey. While in the Charlevoix area, Karl, along with Frank North, opened our eyes and ears to jazz. He was one of the founders of the Up North Jazz Band, and taught many of us the styles of the greats. His knowledge of jazz and jazz musicians was impeccable! I treasure the memories I have of this jazz great! Some say music is made between the notes, the rests. Karl is now between the notes, at rest. We carry your knowledge with us, Karl, every jazz chart will include a little bit of you! Be at peace, my friend!*

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**Ev** - December 14, 2022 at 11:12 PM