



W. Earle Birch

January 14, 1945 - October 26, 2019

W. Earle Birch made his transition on Saturday, October 26, 2019.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations and contributions be made to the American Cancer Society. <https://donate3.cancer.org/>

Willie Earl Birch, Jr. passed away on Saturday October 26th, 2019 at McLaren Oakland Hospital in Pontiac, MI. He was born on January 14th, 1945 in Benton Harbor, MI to Willie Birch, Sr. and Pearl (Harmon) Birch. He was preceded in death by his parents, his brother Burton Birch, and sisters Mildred Jones and Carol O' Bannon.

He was a 1963 graduate of Benton Harbor High School. After graduating, he enlisted in the United States Air Force until he was honorably discharged in 1969. After attending Wayne State University in Detroit, MI, he went on to long career with General Motors and Electronic Data Systems, from which he retired in 2010.

Earl was an active member of Calvary United Methodist Church in Detroit, MI and Hope United Methodist Church in Southfield, MI. He served the church as a counter on many Sundays.

He is survived by his two sons, Danon Earle (Michelle) Birch of Macomb, MI and Christofer Leone Birch of Lathrup Village, MI; one grandson, Jadan Alexander Bell of Southfield, MI, one sister Lois Steele and many nieces, nephews and faithful friends.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **31**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Kemp Funeral Home & Cremation Services
24585 Evergreen Rd
Southfield, MI 48075
(248) 702-5367
info@kempfh.com
<https://www.kempfuneralhome.com>

Family Hour

NOV **1**. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Hope United Methodist Church
26275 Northwestern Highway
Southfield, MI 48076

Funeral Service

NOV **1**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *W. Earle Birch*

September 27, 2022 at 08:40 PM



“ *W. Earle Birch*

September 27, 2022 at 06:52 PM



“ *My name is PJ Petrocelli. I worked with Earl at EDS. Although I was in Dayton, Ohio, we became good friends and spoke frequently on the phone. I was writing to my son just now saying put on the Full Armor of God. This made me think of Earl, as I remember so clearly one of our conversations, telling me how he did that every morning. I wanted to let him know I remembered our conversations. Sadly, I found he had passed. I know he surely is deeply missed-I hope he has heard me here, knowing I feel blessed to be able to call him my friend. My sincere condolences to all his friends and family.*

PJ Petrocelli - December 28, 2020 at 01:52 PM



I just realized I mis-spelled his name-it's been 22 years since we spoke. Earle would forgive me-

PJ Petrocelli - December 28, 2020 at 01:54 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of W. Earle Birch.*



October 31, 2019 at 08:32 AM



“ *Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of W. Earle Birch.*



October 30, 2019 at 01:27 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of W. Earle Birch.*



October 29, 2019 at 02:30 PM