



Richard Dale Cunningham

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Richard Dale Cunningham, 86, of Jackson, MI, passed away on Thursday, March 26, 2026. Richard's family and friends will gather from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m., on Tuesday, March 31, 2026, with Rosary at 6:30 p.m., at Eineder Funeral Homes – Michigan Center Chapel and from 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 1, 2026, at Our Lady of Fatima in Michigan Center, MI. His Mass of Christian Burial will follow at 11:00 a.m., at Our Lady of Fatima. Rev. Fr. Amal Rayapillai, SdC and Fr. Satheesh, SdC will concelebrate. Interment will take place immediately following Mass at Roseland Memorial Gardens with military honors.

Richard was born on July 19, 1939, in Hudson, MI, to Ronald and Alberta (Cornell) Cunningham. He graduated from Addison High School in 1958. Richard married the love of his life, Sandra Lucile Long, on June 19, 1965. He joined the U.S. Marine Corps in 1958 where he proudly served and retired as a Master Sergeant in 1981. After his honorable service, Richard worked construction with his father-in-law and then joined the Michigan Department of Corrections as an officer. He retired from the MDOC in 1996. During retirement, he worked at the Grande golf course, policing the grounds. Richard loved to golf, bowl and play horseshoes, where he was a 3-time champion. He enjoyed mowing his lawn and all other outdoor activities. Richard could always be found doing something, whether it was with work, his lawn or with family. He loved staying busy. He will be remembered as a loving, caring husband, father and grandfather, who will dearly be missed by those who knew and loved him.

Richard will be missed by his wife, Sandra; his children, Stacey (Robert) Casanova and Lance (Amy) Cunningham; his brother, Roger Cunningham; 5 grandchildren; 6 great grandchildren; and many extended family members. He is preceded in death by his parents, Ronald and Alberta; and 6 siblings.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the Knights of Columbus at Our Lady of Fatima in Michigan Center, MI. Please leave a message of comfort for Richard's family or sign his guestbook



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at <https://www.EinederFuneralHomes.com>.



Events

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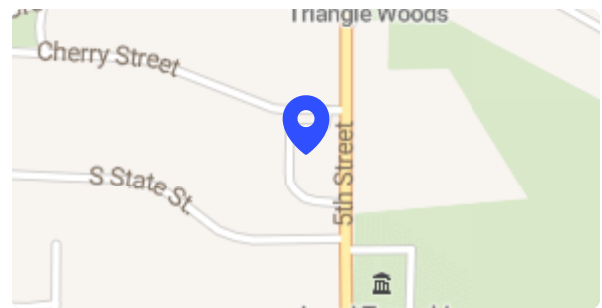
Family & Friends Visitation

 **Tuesday**, March 31, 2026

 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM ET


 **Eineder Funeral Homes - Michigan Center Chapel**

820 5th St, Michigan Center MI 49254



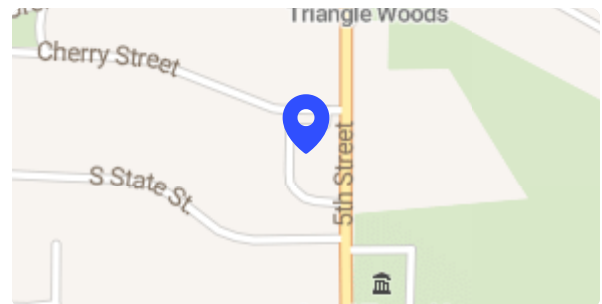
Rosary

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 6:30 PM ET

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Family & Friends Visitation

 **Wednesday**, April 1, 2026

 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET

 **Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church**

913 Napoleon Road, Michigan Center MI 49254

Mass of Christian Burial

 **Wednesday**, April 1, 2026

 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM ET

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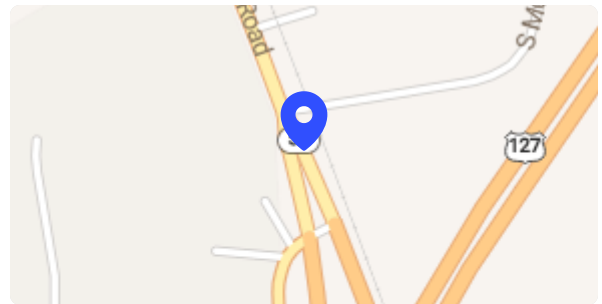
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Interment


 **Wednesday**, April 1, 2026

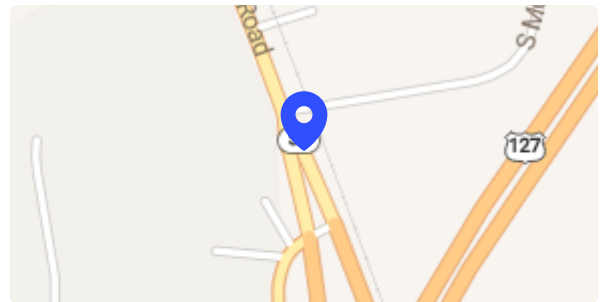
 12:30 PM ET

 **Roseland Memorial Gardens**
Brooklyn Road, Napoleon Twp MI 49203



Cemetery Details

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Tom Long posted:

Richard Cunningham was a rare, shining example, of what an amazing husband, father, grandfather, uncle and human being should be. To my Aunt Sandy, Stacey, Lance and family, I am so very sorry for your loss. Unfortunately i too know this pain, but I sincerely hope as the days go by, your tears turn to smiles, as did mine, when you talk about, brag and reminisce about his incredible life and legacy. I am so very sorry I did not see him as much as I could have these past couple of years, but will always fondly remember all of our family trips, holidays and bowling tournaments together. I wish I would have told him more about how often I bragged about him, his service as a Marine, how he ran circles around anyone else within 20 years of his age, because I bragged about him all the time. I know how much he loved his family and how proud he was of them. He will be truly missed, but never forgotten! I am so very glad I got to at least talk to him on the phone a month ago, never realizing it would be my final time.

March 30 at 7:43 PM



Anonymous sent an Angel's Embrace Bouquet to the Cunningham family.



March 29 at 5:44 PM



Anonymous planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Richard.



March 29 at 5:44 PM



Linda, Tom And Jen And Shawn And Kristi sent an Emerald Garden Basket to the Cunningham family.



March 28 at 12:24 PM



Steven Renne posted:

May he rest in the care of our lord, Jesus Christ.

March 28 at 8:47 AM



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Nancy White posted:

Dear Sandy, We are very sorry for your loss. May God bring you and your family much love and solace at this difficult time. Thank you for your service Mr. Cunningham. Take care. With Sympathy, Bill and Nancy White

March 28 at 8:03 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Richard by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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