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Birth: 26 May 1945 *in* Port Huron, Michigan Death: 11 April 2023 *in* Lexington, Michigan

LEXINGTON, **MICHIGAN** – Dennis Edward Patton, age 77 of Lexington, was called to Heaven on April 11, 2023, at McLaren Port Huron Hospital with his wife by his side.

He was born on May 26, 1945, at Port Huron Hospital, the second son of H. Wade and Grace Patton. Five years later, his mother, Grace was killed in an automobile accident. His father later married Doris and they had two other children. Dennis was always helping neighbors for spending money, which taught him the value of money early on.

Dennis belonged to the DeMolay and after that, became a Master in the Masonic Lodge, Port Huron. He attended Port Huron High School where he played football. His grandfather wanted him to become a pharmacist, but Dennis had a technical and mechanical mind and began an apprenticeship program for tool and die. He trained at machine shops and plastic injection companies in Marine City and Warren Michigan.

He later married Sharon Lee Leim in Ruby, Michigan on July 2, 1966, and moved to Romeo where she taught art at Romeo High School. He continued his apprenticeship classes through Port Huron Junior College (St. Clair County Community College), where he completed on the job training through Master Tool Makers in Warren.

In 1970, the family moved to Texas believing he would be starting a business with his father-in-law and uncle-in-law, which did not happen. In 1976 they moved back to Michigan and in 1978 they started Patton Tool & Die, Inc. in the Lexington area. Dennis was there for over 45 years until he passed.

He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Sharon Lee Patton, son, David Ryan (Marissa) Patton, grandson, Joshua Alec Patton, granddaughter, Lily Cyra Patton, stepgranddaughter, Sapphira Joy-Kendall Ross, one older brother, Donald Patton of California, brother, Mark Patton of Kingsley, MI and sister, Linda Sue Patton of Marysville MI.

Per Dennis' request, he has been cremated. A celebration of life will be held at a

later date. Arrangements in care of, Jowett Funeral Home, 1634 Lapeer Avenue, Port Huron.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Sanilac County Humane Society, 3547 W. Sheldon Road, Carsonville, Michigan, 48419.

He had much love in his heart for the Lord, his family, the animals and the people who cared for him. His family and many friends will miss this gentle, caring man.

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