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**Birth:** 24 February 1945 in Flint, Michigan

**Death:** 20 January 2026 in Port Huron, Michigan

PORT HURON, MICHIGAN --- Clyde Franklin Terpening, a man of remarkable talent and boundless energy, passed away peacefully at his home on January 20, 2026, at the age of 80. Born on August 18, 1945, in [Flint, Michigan](#), Clyde was the cherished son of the late Jesse and Gladys (Farmsworth) Terpening.

Clyde's journey through life was shared with his beloved wife, Norma, whom he married on March 22, 1985. He is survived by his wife, Norma; children, Phil (Lori) Terpening of Crosswell, Shawn (Jenny) Terpening of Yale, and Heather (Jeff) Terpening-Gierman of Clyde Township; grandchildren, Emily (Cody), Phillip, Sarah (Ethan), Travis, Riley (Austin), Taylor (Shane) Szeszycki, Allison (Marcus) Sherman, Noah (Kelly), and Elijah; sister, Carolie (Peter), and a brother, Greg and many many great grandchildren.

Clyde's professional life was marked by his dedication to his craft as a union plumber. Beyond his work, Clyde was a man of many interests and talents. He enjoyed gardening and being outdoors in the yard. Clyde loved cooking. He liked keeping busy and working with his hands, whether it was building a boat from scratch-despite the humorous challenge of getting it out of the basement-or meticulously disassembling, rebuilding, and repainting his car. There was hardly a task he couldn't tackle, and he always had a new project on the horizon.

Those who knew Clyde will remember him as a man who could do anything he set his mind to. His legacy is not only in the tangible things he built and fixed but also in the intangible lessons of perseverance, creativity, and love that he imparted to all who were lucky enough to know him. Clyde Franklin Terpening will be deeply missed, yet his spirit will continue to inspire and guide us in the many lives he touched.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, January 30, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. at Port Huron First Church of the Nazarene, 1923 Garfield St, [Port Huron, MI](#) 48060. Visitation will begin at 10:00 a.m. Pastor Bud Freed will officiate. Military honors rendered by the United States Navy will follow the service. Arrangements were entrusted to Grace Memorial. Memorials are suggested to "Wishes of the Family." To send flowers to the family or plant a tree in memory of Clyde, please visit our floral store.

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