



## Carl W. Sharpe

September 28, 2017

Carl Ware Sharpe died at home surrounded by his family on September 28th, 2017. He succumbed in his own time to a cancer that he fought on his own terms. He was a lifelong resident in the home he built for his family in Hopewell Township. He was a graduate of BHS class of 1961. He lived his last few years in Elmer, having found love again late in life with his wife, Roberta Carman. He was the first of four children born to Una Sweatmon and John Sharpe Sr. on Christmas Day 1941. "His mom missed turkey dinner that year", was his favorite response to "you were a Christmas baby!" He had 3 siblings, John Sharpe Jr. (Dora) Harriet Penny Rammel (Donald) and Joanna Justice.

He is survived by Roberta, and three daughters that he loved beyond measure, although he claimed he was a victim of being surrounded by all women, (even the dog is a girl! He would joke). His daughters, Dianna Sharpe Buff (Ernest), Rhonda Sharpe Meyers, and Jacqueline Suzanne Sharpe Griner (Barrett), will miss their "Daddy" greatly.

He is also survived by four grandchildren; Lauren Buff Brunner (Louis IV),

Tyler Lee Buff, Alexander James Meyers and Aaron Christian Carl Meyers as well as two great grandchildren, Sophia Elizabeth Brunner and Madison Paige Brunner. He enjoyed nerf wars with Alex and Aaron immensely.

He was married and predeceased to his first love and his wife of 27 years Patricia Ann Seay Sharpe in 1991. He stayed single for many years, and finally found love and happiness once again in 2010 when he met Roberta "Bobbi Jean" Carman. He introduced her to his love of motorcycles, camping without glamping and traveling just to see the sights. Together they shared eight years of trips, love, laughter and friends and family. They were united at home in a family and close friend only ceremony in February of 2017. He also had a special relationship with Bobbi's children , Desiree Wright and Donica Maher (Robert) and their families .

He retired as a Master Welder from DuPont's Chamber Works after 37 years in 1998. Not quite ready to be done, he worked as a freelance-welding inspector, drove a truck for Johnson Farms, and worked as a maintenance inspector for the First National Bank of Elmer. His early years included FHA and 4-H, an extension of his family farming childhood. As a young man he was a natural mechanic and this carried over into racing. He won many awards racing at Atco and the Old Vineland Raceway.

Some of his hobbies and interests included bowling, gardening, tinkering in his garage, traveling, camping, dancing and gospel and blue grass music. He enjoyed jamming with friends in Buckshutem with the Buckshutem Boys.

His greatest love aside from his family was his motorcycles. He started with a 5-week trip after Pat's death to Alaska, traveling along the pipeline doing 16,000 miles. He felt at home on his bikes and they him brought him comfort and happiness. He belonged to BMW MOA, was a lifetime member of the AMA, and was a founding member of the BMW Raiders. He earned many awards from the BMW "Iron Butt" club, for riding 1000 miles a day or better on a motorcycle. He made many trips with his son in law, Ernie, and made many lifelong friends in his groups, many of whom he considered family.

He lived life; he loved, enjoyed friends and conversations, and a good nap, because he usually rose at dawn. He wasted no life that he was given, and he will be missed beyond measure. If you knew him, you knew he was a good man.

In lieu of flowers the family asks that donations be made in his name to The Holy Redeemer Chapter of Hospice, 6550 Delilah Rd., Suite 501, Egg Harbor Twp., NJ 08234, Att: Gloria. Services will be held on Monday October 2, 2017 at Adams Funeral Home, 111 S. Main St., Elmer, NJ 08318. Visitation will be from 10 AM until 12:00 PM, with a 12:15 PM service following. Internment will be at the Greenwich Baptist Church for immediate family only. A luncheon will be offered to celebrate Carl's love of life at the Elmer Baptist Church, Broad St., Elmer immediately following the service at the funeral home. [www.adamsfuneralhome.org](http://www.adamsfuneralhome.org)



# Cemetery Details

**Greenwich Baptist Cemetery**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

OCT 2. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Adams Funeral Home - South Jersey Cremation Services (Elmer)  
111 South Main Street  
Elmer, NJ 08318  
(856) 358-3737

### Service

OCT 2. 12:15 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

DB

“ So sorry to see this passing of my 6th cousin!  
Rhonda, Alex, and Aaron, my deepest condolences.

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**Dave Bates** - September 30, 2017 at 06:59 PM

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“ I watched Carl & Bobby Jean dance & enjoy each other 2 weeks ago at an anniversary party & It made me cry to know that it would probably be the last time they would do that. They were so sweet together. Bobby I'm here for you if you need a shoulder. You are one brave lady & you made Carl's last years happy ones. I will keep your families in my prayers. . Love you, Sandra Eppinger

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**Sandra Eppinger** - September 30, 2017 at 03:59 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carl W. Sharpe.



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September 30, 2017 at 11:30 AM

Rose  
Trilone

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**Rose Trilone** - September 30, 2017 at 06:28 AM



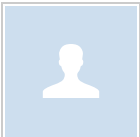
“ *The man with the big hands and bigger smile will always be remembered by his New Sweden BMW Riders family.*

Nancy Glindmyer - September 29, 2017 at 07:42 PM



“ *Carl will surly be missed! Growing up next door to him and being Best Friends with his youngest daughter Jackie, we had many laughs and good times. I remember the night he scared the bejesus out of us sitting in Jackies car when we would drive around the yards because we both were yet too young to drive, camping in the pop up camper in the back yard and snow ball fights. He always called me shorty and in return that became my name back at him. He was a wonderful man, father and provider. He will be missed greatly but his memory and legacy will live on through the lives he has touched. So glad to know he is resting in his Saviors arms and that I will one day see my shorty again! Give my Daddy hugs for me Shorty❤️ many prayers for the family during this difficult time. I love you all❤️ -Jen-*

Jennifer Johnson-Frazer - September 29, 2017 at 07:00 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Carl W. Sharpe.*



September 29, 2017 at 06:27 PM

PL

“ We will miss you Carl...

*My condolences to the entire family.*

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**Phil Levin** - September 29, 2017 at 06:16 PM

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“ In Memory of my , Nephew, Carl . he would do anything for you ,  
that you would ask.

*Uncle John Tice*

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**JOHN Tice** - September 29, 2017 at 05:21 PM