



Alan VanderGraaff

March 29, 1941 - July 5, 2022

LEXINGTON- Alan VanderGraaff, 81, passed away on July 5th, 2022 at Port Huron McLaren Hospital with his son and daughter at his bedside. He was born in Mt. Clemens Michigan on March 29th, 1941 to William and Aletta VanderGraaff. Al graduated from Crosswell-Lexington High School in June of 1959 and was class president of the FFA for three years.

Alan helped on the farm in Crosswell with his family during his teenage years, along with his brother Mark. After high school he worked for Kahman Construction and was made a foreman at a very young age. He later partnered with his father and brother in law in the McCarty Construction Company. In 1978 he started his own business, VanderGraaff Construction, building that company into one that is still thriving in the area. Over the years he built many beautiful homes and commercial projects in the Blue Water area and beyond. His accomplishments and awards would be too numerous to mention them all, but some highlights would include, state carpenter apprenticeships, Episcopal Church recognitions, and local civic awards. Alan also hiked the entire Appalachian trail and pedal-biked from the West to the East Coast.

He is survived by his children, Michael VanderGraaff and Lisa and Kevin Southers; grandchildren, Zachery, Jacqueline, Joshua, Madison, Delaney, Emma, Rachel, Isabella, Luke, and Catherine; and great-grandchildren, Ben, Levi, and Jacob, and brother Mark VanderGraaff "Marv" and his wife Debbie. We also wish to acknowledge Al's close relationship with Chris Noetzel and

his innumerable friends made throughout a lifetime commitment to the Cross-Lex area.

Visitation will be from 2-9 P.M. on Friday at the Pomeroy Funeral Home in Lexington. Funeral Services will be held at 11 A.M. on Saturday at the Trinity Episcopal Church in Lexington, with visiting at the church from 10-11 A.M. Interment will follow in the Lexington Cemetery. A brief luncheon will be served at the St. Denis Parish Center at 1 P.M.

Memorials in memory of Alan may be made to the Appalachian Trail Conservancy.

Cemetery Details

Lexington Cemetery

Dennison St.
Lexington, MI 48450

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 8. 2:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Pomeroy Funeral Home - Lexington
5635 Main St.
Lexington, MI 48450
(810) 359-7700
pomeroyfuneralhomes@gmail.com
<https://pomeroyfuneralhomes.com/>

Visitation

JUL 9. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Trinity Episcopal Church
5646 Main St.
Lexington, MI 48450

Church Service

JUL 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

JC

“ JON PUTZ, friend and classmate purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Alan VanderGraaff.



JON PUTZ, friend and classmate - July 18, 2022 at 10:59 AM

MV

“ My girls and I had a lot of fun on the bus trip thru Ireland with Alan and Chris. Such fun playing spoons with him in the hotel lobby late at night. Good memories...Thanks Mary V.

MARY ALICE VERMEESCH - July 09, 2022 at 03:21 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Alan VanderGraaff.



July 08, 2022 at 02:27 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Alan VanderGraaff.



July 07, 2022 at 11:12 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Alan VanderGraaff.



July 07, 2022 at 09:37 PM



“ *The Van der Graaff family from Holland purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet* for the family of Alan VanderGraaff.



The Van der Graaff family from Holland - July 07, 2022 at 06:16 PM



“ *Dennis,Dana,Nick,Kari,Danielle,Jordan purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet* for the family of Alan VanderGraaff.



Dennis,Dana,Nick,Kari,Danielle,Jordan - July 07, 2022 at 01:30 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Alan VanderGraaff.



July 07, 2022 at 01:15 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Alan VanderGraaff.*



July 07, 2022 at 12:10 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Alan VanderGraaff.*



July 07, 2022 at 09:37 AM



“ *The McCartys: Cherie, Steve, Dan and all purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Alan VanderGraaff.*



The McCartys: Cherie, Steve, Dan and all - July 06, 2022 at 11:31 PM



“ *Al's company built our last home and has done a lot of building work for us He also remodeled our current little retirement home. He was so very good at his trade. Mostly he was just a great guy, always fun to be with.*

Doona Galbraith - July 06, 2022 at 08:28 PM

JW

“ Sorry for your loss. My heart goes out to all of you.

John Wolf - July 06, 2022 at 07:40 PM

GD

“ So sorry Mike and Lisa for your loss. Al was our neighbor for years, such a thoughtful and generous man. Stayed in touch through the years. When meeting Al, he always had a smile and wanted to know how the family was doing . He will truly be missed.
Jim and Gloria Dineen and family.

Gloria Dineen - July 06, 2022 at 06:48 PM

DL

“ Union St neighbors, Alan always had a smile. So sorry to hear of your loss, Mike & Lisa. Prayers to you and your family. Diane Ellis Lobbestael

Diane Lobbestael - July 06, 2022 at 05:51 PM

BS

“ I graduate with Al wiith the class of 1959. he was very well like by the whole class. He never had a bad word about any one. He will be miss by the whole class of 59 at Croswel Lexington. May Al REST IN PEACE.

Beverly (Jones) Smith - July 06, 2022 at 05:06 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Alan VanderGraaff.



July 06, 2022 at 05:04 PM

RR

“ I've known Al since Lisa & I became friends back in the 80's. He always treated me like his own, made me laugh, and gave me wonderful memories. He was a great man and will be greatly missed!!

Robyn Burks Robison - July 06, 2022 at 04:56 PM

LI

“ I have known Alan since, well it seems like forever. He was such a guy who always took time to talk to you. His friendly smile and laugh was so kind. When I moved back into the area into my mothers home he offered to fix up the damaged areas. He charged us nothing. When money was offered he just laughed and said “ no, no”. He was a life saver for us. I will miss seeing Alan such a great guy!

Liz - July 06, 2022 at 04:50 PM