



Allen Lubbers

March 30, 1944 - January 2, 2024

Allen Lubbers, age 79 of Saugatuck, formerly of Beaverdam passed away Tuesday, January 2, 2024.

He is survived by his wife of 56 years Betty, his children: Scott and Michelle Lubbers, and Kim and Ryan Deboer; his grandchildren and great grandchildren: Nicole and B.J. Miller (Payton, Maleeah, Crew), Matt and Hannah Lubbers, Mackenzie and Kendall Novo-Gradac, Gabriel Deboer, his fiancé Grace Danforth, and Gavin Deboer; his brothers: LeRoy and Marcia Lubbers, and J. Edwin and Karen Lubbers; his brothers-in-law and sister-in-law: Kenneth and Florence Wittingen, and John Wittingen.

Al was a member of Saugatuck Church and a former member of Beaverdam Christian Reformed Church. Al proudly served his country in the United States Navy from March of 1963-January of 1992.

Al retired from West Shore Construction, in his retirement he delivered for Valley Truck Parts.

Visitation will be 5-8 pm Thursday, January 11, 2024, at Yntema Funeral Home, 251 South State Street, Zeeland. The funeral service with military honors will be 11 am Friday, January 12, 2024, also at the funeral home.

Interment for family only will be in Beaverdam Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be given to Parkview Home. www.yntemafh.com

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 11. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Yntema Funeral Home
251 South State Street
Zeeland, MI 49464

Funeral Service

JAN 12. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Yntema Funeral Home
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Zeeland, MI 49464

Tribute Wall



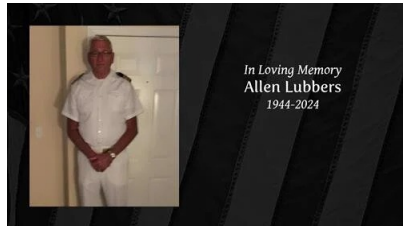
“ *Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes created a Allen Lubbers Funeral Service in memory of Allen Lubbers*



Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes - January 12, 2024 at 02:30 PM



“ *Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Allen Lubbers*



Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes - January 10, 2024 at 03:53 PM

RT

Betty — I was sorry to hear of Al's death. There are many memories of being on the church committee with both of you at the campground/resort and the Netherlands cruise. May you find comfort in knowing he's finally "Home."

Ruth Tidd - January 12, 2024 at 08:01 AM

RG

“ *Al was a true gentleman, patriot and friend to many. The Gardens Veterans Group has lost a true leader and valuable shipmate. Fair winds and smooth sailing, Al - we've got the watch!*

*Dick Gordon (former CTT2 - USN)
Parrish, FL*

Richard W Gordon - February 05, 2024 at 10:17 AM

TC

“ *I am so saddened on your loss, Betty. Senior Chief was an inspiration to all who came in contact with him. He was a true patriot who will be deeply missed. Fair winds and following seas Senior Chief - Bravo Zulu for a job well done!*

Tom Calpin

Tom Calpin - January 24, 2024 at 11:23 AM

GJ

“ *Gerald J. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Allen Lubbers.*

Gerald J. - January 22, 2024 at 11:08 AM

DM

“ *Fair Winds and Following Seas, Shipmate. Rest your oars, Senior Chief. We have the watch. Heartfelt condolences to the entire Lubbers family.*

Dan Materna, CTAC, USN (Ret.)

Dan Materna - January 14, 2024 at 10:41 PM

CK

“ Our hearts and prayers go out to your family as you grieve the loss of your husband, dad, and Grampa. I enjoyed watching his memory video and seeing his love for his family, his country and fishing. I know how he loved and cared for Howard also. That meant a lot to me because Howard was a cousin close to me in age. Howard always seemed happy because he knew he was loved by his brothers. His love for his family was very evident.

Connie Koning - January 12, 2024 at 02:38 PM

RR

“ We wish to send our condolences to you Betty and family. Al was always so friendly and willing to give a hug or hand shake when we were in Park. He was so much a part of SRVR and a contributes. He was so proud of his service in the navy and it carried throughout his civilian life. He will be missed greatly. Sending hugs and prayers 🙏. Love, Tom and Rita Rafinski

Rita Rafinski - January 11, 2024 at 10:59 AM

DM

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Dan Materna, CTAC, USN (Ret.)



Dan Materna - January 14, 2024 at 10:33 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Allen Lubbers.*



January 11, 2024 at 08:57 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Allen Lubbers.



January 10, 2024 at 11:55 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms* was purchased for the family of Allen Lubbers.



January 09, 2024 at 08:23 PM



“ *Serene Retreat* was purchased for the family of Allen Lubbers.



January 08, 2024 at 09:02 AM



“ *Your dad had a big heart and a silly sense of humor. I have great memories of visiting the campground, and that trip to Florida was one I will always remember! He laughed so hard when that seagull pooped on me at the beach! Praying for peace and comfort for all of you.*

Julie Compagner - January 07, 2024 at 04:58 PM

RA

“ So sorry for your loss Betty and family I had many good times with AI at Westshore for many years . Great Memories! Randy Arens

Randy Arens - January 06, 2024 at 08:27 AM

RE

“ It is with a personal sense of sadness that I learn of the passing of Senior Chief AI Lubbers. He was a legend in the area of enlisted leadership. I had the honor of having AI on my team when I served as the Special Assistant for Cryptology (SAC) for the Readiness Commander at Great Lakes from 1987 to 1990. His knowledge of administrative and special security procedures resulted in the six Security Group units to improve overall readiness to R1/R2 Our sincere condolences to Betty and the family. BZ Senior CAPT Bob Everson USNR (ret.)

Robert Everson - January 05, 2024 at 05:35 PM

PV

Many years ago I was a houseparent at Parkview home and cared for Howard. I just have to tell you Howard adored his brother! He talked of him so often.He was proud to be his brother.

Pam Veldheer - January 06, 2024 at 09:44 AM

FC

“ From The Borad of Bradenton Chapel purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Allen Lubbers.



From The Borad of Bradenton Chapel - January 05, 2024 at 01:09 PM

HH

“ Betty and family - our hearts and prayers are with you and your family. Al was one of those special people that made it a privilege to know. Sending hugs. Harold & Barb Hulst

Harold Hulst - January 05, 2024 at 09:59 AM



“ Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Allen Lubbers.



January 04, 2024 at 10:41 PM

HE

“ My sincere sympathy to you Betty, and your entire family in the rather sudden passing of Al. I have fond memories of working with him on the Board of the chapel, and playing numerous rounds of golf with him in Florida. God bless you in this time of grief with the presence of His comforting Spirit! Harlan Vanden Einde

Harlan Vanden Einde - January 04, 2024 at 03:20 PM

FK

“ A big loss to The Bradenton Chapel, We can only imagine what a loss this is for you. Praying for your comfort. Floyd & Gerzella

floyd kerkstra - January 04, 2024 at 02:58 PM

SC

“ *I first knew Al and Betty in 1991 at West Wind Campground, now Saugatuck RV Resort. Always with a smile, Al was ready to help and assured the task was done to perfection. He honored everyone for who they are in the proud tradition of a Senior Chief U S Navy. Job well done, my friend. Calm seas and trailing winds. Cast off the lines and set the course for home!*
Steve Chase

Steve Chase - January 04, 2024 at 01:45 PM