



William "Captain Bill" Maclean

July 26, 1938 - December 7, 2021

On December 7, 2021 William (Captain Bill) Maclean passed suddenly to be with his Lord and Savior at the age of 83. He was born and raised in Sault Ste Marie, Michigan.

He joined the Navy in 1955 and became a Navy Seal traveling the world for Seven tours of duty protecting our country. He retired from the Navy after a lifetime of service in 1975 and continued on as a Navy recruiter in Holland, Michigan. Bill also worked for Bell and Howell as a Director. He owned his own print shop and later his print brokerage business. His greatest love was his Charter Captain business, which he enjoyed in the summer months. He served on the board for the Big Red Classic fishing tournaments and for the Steelhead fishing tournaments. Bill was preceded in death by his father and mother, Bruce and Alice (Proulx) Maclean and his two sisters, Marge (Earnie) Gugin and Madelon (Jack) Weir and his nephew, John R Weir and niece, Carol (Gugin) Powell. Bill has 5 surviving nieces: Diane (Gugin) Langton (Fred), Sandy (Gugin) Smith (Clyde), Marge (Weir) Johnston (Ray), Nancy (Weir) Romzek (Steve), Patty (Weir Coleman (Bill), and 15 great nieces and nephews. Bill was well respected and loved by so many in his community. Rest in Peace our dear friend Bill! Memorial contributions may be given to the Boys and Girls Club of America – www.bgca.org.

Tribute Wall



“ *William "Captain Bill" Maclean*

August 31, 2022 at 01:26 PM



“ *I just learned of Bill's passing. I will miss hearing his always present voice on the marine radio. RIP Captain*

Sincerely, the Lakavea sportfishing team

Matt Wing - February 23, 2022 at 06:25 PM



“ *"Bill, I'll miss our talks over a Cocktail. You will definitely be missed. Oh, one other thing I remember, us coming back in Lake Mac after a morning of fishing with my daughters .. you pulled in your line with the smallest fish in the Lake .. measuring about 2 we had great fun. Dave Dirkse"*

Dave Dirkse - December 17, 2021 at 12:00 AM



“ *"So sorry to hear of Bills passing. He was a business acquaintance that I soon considered a friend. He helped design my business card when I unexpectedly became unemployed. I keep those cards now as a souvenir. Rest in peace my friend."*

Steven Meyers - December 17, 2021 at 12:00 AM



“ *"A special man who was loved by all. Bill is greatly missed by everyone. Rip Captain Bill!"*

Lynne Sluiter - December 16, 2021 at 12:00 AM

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“*Bill was a great asset to the fishing community in west Michigan. I always enjoyed being around Bill and listening to his fishing stories. May you Rest In Peace Bill.*”

Jeff Gehres - December 16, 2021 at 12:00 AM