



## Mr. Daniel Leroy Abfalter

June 1, 1936 - January 15, 2011

### Daniel Leroy Abfalter

Of Potterville, formerly of Grand Ledge, Manistee, and Charlotte passed away at his home on Saturday, January 15, 2011 at the age of 74. He was born June 1, 1936 in Lansing, Michigan to the late Percy and Hazel (Huston) Abfalter. Dan lived a full life, retiring from Clark Construction Co. in 1980 as a carpenter foreman. An avid hunter and fisherman, he was always up for a game of cribbage and was especially proud of his family. He is survived by his wife of 54 years Shirley, daughter Dana (Joe) Utterback, sons Daniel (Nadine), Dale, David (Erin) , Darin (Jodi), 10 grandchildren, 3 great grandchildren, sisters Mary (Jack) Phinney, Debby (Ron) Fielhour and sister in-law Doreen Abfalter. He is preceded in death by brother David and great grandson Joshua David. A funeral service will be held Wednesday, January 19, 2011, 11:00am at Potterville United Methodist Church with The Reverend Rebecca Morrison officiating. Visitation will be Tuesday 5-8pm at Holihan-Atkin Funeral Home Grand Ledge. Memorial contributions may be made to Potterville United Methodist Church 105 North St. Potterville, MI 48876 or McLaren Visiting Nurse Hospice 2316 S. Cedar St. Ste 600 Lansing, MI 48910.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN **18.** 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home & Cremation Services  
406 N. Bridge Street  
Grand Ledge, MI 48837  
(517) 627-2531  
jasonbarclay@holihanatkin.com  
<https://www.holihanatkin.com>

## Service

JAN **19.** 11:00 AM (ET)

Potterville United Methodist Church  
105 North St.  
Potterville, MI

# Tribute Wall

SB

“ *Dana and family, our deepest sympathy to you in your time of sorrow.*

*Linda and Steve Bretz*

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**Steve Linda Bretz** - January 24, 2011 at 08:57 AM

SB

“ *Steve Linda Bretz lit a candle in memory of Mr. Daniel Leroy Abfalter*



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**Steve Linda Bretz** - January 24, 2011 at 08:56 AM

KS

“ *Dan and Nadyne, My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family in this time. Its never easy losing a parent. Just remember to hang on to each other and remember the good times..*

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**Kitty & Steve Spooner** - January 19, 2011 at 06:47 AM

DR

“ *Dana and Family,  
Please know that you are in my thoughts and prays during this difficult time. It doesn't seem like it now but the pain will lessen and the happy memories you shared with him will comfort you . I'm here for you whenever you need me. I love you.  
Debbie*

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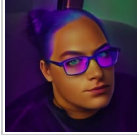
**Debbie Ryan** - January 18, 2011 at 04:12 PM

FS

“ *Miss Dana,  
I am so sorry for the loss of your father. Sending prayers your way.  
If I can do anything for you let me know. Love you!*  
*Faye*

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**Faye Sherrell** - January 18, 2011 at 08:43 AM



“ *I MISS YOU...*

*I know it hurt you  
It hurt me too,  
But now that you're gone  
All I know is I miss you*

*You were there for so long,  
I never thought you would leave.  
I though you had another year  
Waiting up your sleeve.*

*The day that you left  
Was the saddest of my life.  
I remember sitting at home  
And crying all day and night.*

*I might be selfish  
But I wish you were here.  
Or if you stayed  
For one more year.*

*I know you loved me  
And I still love you too.  
So I'm trying to be strong  
Just for you.*

*I know I'm not perfect.  
I know I'll never be.  
I just hope you're up there  
And that you're proud of me.*

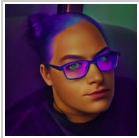
*You had to let go  
Even though you were holding on for so long  
But there's not a day I don't think of you,  
And how you were so strong.*

*I just want to tell you  
That you're always in my heart.  
Even though I still cry  
I know we're not apart.*

*Thinking of you, Grandpa...*

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**Stormie Misener** - January 17, 2011 at 11:58 PM

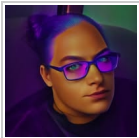


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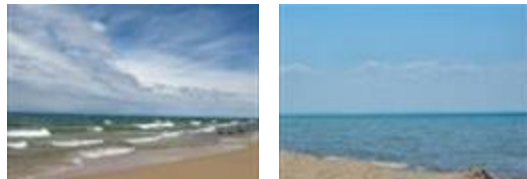


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**Stormie Misener** - January 17, 2011 at 11:30 PM



“ *Grandpa- Thank you for everything you've ever taught me. Every time I came over and seen you, you always smiled and said "hi honey". Which made my day every time. Either I called you or you called me to go fishing, whenever we could. we would be gone all day, if not for several. You were always there for me. I will miss you everyday, but I know we will meet again in the future. I love you Grandpa and I hope you have everything in heaven, you couldn't have here on earth*



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**Stormie Misener** - January 17, 2011 at 11:11 PM

DT

“ Shirley and families,  
This is a tough time but I think that what brings sadness and tears  
now will someday be memories that bring a smile to your faces and  
warmth to your hearts. Rest in Peace Dan, you will be remembered  
with deep fondness by all who knew you.  
Dave and Terri

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**Dave Terri** - January 17, 2011 at 08:35 PM

DS

“ Shirley, loving wishes to you, your five children, (my neice and  
nephewes), all Dans and your grand and great grandchildren, Dan's  
richest and fullest loves of his life.  
your brother  
Donald

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**Donald Smith** - January 17, 2011 at 08:40 AM