



Duane Thomas Akright

December 22, 1931 - December 21, 2018

Duane Thomas Akright of Grand Ledge passed away December 21, 2018, at home surrounded by his loving family. Tom was a devoted husband and proud father and grandfather who will be remembered for his commitment to family. He was born December 22, 1931, in Kalamazoo, Michigan to the late Lewis W. and Hazel R. (Gilson) Akright. Tom graduated from Everett High School Class of 1950 and went on to attend Michigan State University where he was a member of the ROTC Program, played on the MSU junior varsity basketball team and earned a Bachelor's Degree in Economics. He served 8 years in the United States Army as 1st Lieutenant in the Transportation Corp, including moving his family to Germany for 2 years, and earned an Honorable Discharge. He retired from General Motors after 28 years of service, was an avid MSU sports fan and a lifetime member of the MSU Alumni Association. He is survived by his loving wife of 67 years, Marilyn (McQueen); 4 children, Carol (Michael) Lehman, Tom, James (Mona) and Jeff (Sandy); 11 grandchildren, Joshua (Margaux) Akright, Melinda (Chris) Collins, Nicole (Russell) Helsel, Jessica (Nicholas) Enders, Michelle (Kevin) Rockwell, Joshua (Stephanie) Catlin, Stephanie (Aaron) Grayhek, Rebekah (Mike) Cornell and Sarah (William) Losson; 22 great grandchildren; and sister-in-law Wilma Akright. Tom was preceded in death by his brother, Gerald. A funeral service will be held Thursday, January 3, 2019, 11:00 a.m. at the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. Interment with military honors will follow at Delta Center Cemetery. Visitation will be Wednesday at

the funeral home from 2-4:00 p.m. and 6-8:00 p.m. Memorial contributions may be given to the American Diabetes Association, 20700 Civic Center Drive, Suite 100, Southfield, Michigan 48076 (https://donations.diabetes.org/site/Donation2;jsessionid=00000000.app212b?df_id=21431&mfc_pref=T&21431.donation=form1&s_src=AAP181201DXXXXXXXXXCC&utm_source=navigation&utm_medium=website&utm_campaign=EOYMatch-120118&utm_term=&utm_content=Don_form&NONCE_TOKEN=0509E609201D13315494C74A954E2926) Click link above to donate online

Cemetery Details

Delta Center Cemetery

7382 W. St. Joseph Highway
Lansing, MI 48917

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 2. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home & Cremation Services
406 N. Bridge Street
Grand Ledge, MI 48837
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Visitation

JAN 2. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Service

JAN 3. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Marilyn and Family,*

Please accept my deepest sympathy. From years spent with Tom at Oldsmobile Material Control, I know he was a loving father and husband. He always put his family first. Tom had an infectious laugh and loved to have a good fun time. I know he will be missed by you, his family and many friends.

Sincerely, Earl D. Bowland

Earl D. Bowland - January 03, 2019 at 01:01 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Duane Thomas Akright.*



December 31, 2018 at 10:23 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Duane Thomas Akright.*



December 30, 2018 at 10:44 PM

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“ *Susie Louth Reed lit a candle in memory of
Duane Thomas Akright*



Susie Louth Reed - December 28, 2018 at 11:40 PM