



## Alan D. Berry

July 3, 1954 - July 8, 2018

OTTAWA LAKE – Alan Dean Berry, age 64, died of heart failure on July 8, 2018 in Ann Arbor, MI.

Alan is survived by his wife, SallyJo Tevis-Berry, of 27 years of marriage; his daughters, Shelley Marks and her husband, Michael with their children, Ava and Evan; and Jennifer Berry with her children, Dena and Chase Redlinger; and his son, Jason Berry, and his wife, Carrie with their children, Molly, Courtney, Emberly and Ethan; his mother, Hazel Berry; his siblings, Cindy Cousino, Bruce Berry, Diane Ebright and her husband, Bob and David Berry and his wife, Mindy. He was preceded in death by his father, Arthur Gene Berry in 2016.

Alan was born July 3, 1954, in Adrian, MI, to parents, Arthur and Hazel (Bierman) Berry. He graduated from Blissfield High School in 1972, and attended Kirtland College where he graduated with a degree in aviation mechanics. He then accepted a position as chief of aviation mechanics at Owens Corning Fiber Glass – Corporate Jets Division, where he proudly worked for 32 years.

Alan was a loving husband, father, grandfather, son, brother, uncle, nephew, cousin, co-worker and friend. Alan was a deeply religious man who was involved in his faith as well as outreach to others. He was honored to have

been a life-long member of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Riga, MI. He served as Sunday school teacher and elder as well as held several council positions. He enjoyed farming with his family, sitting in his rocking chair listening to the birds, reflecting on God's sky full of arts, and traveling to other countries and states with family and work. His family and friends will always remember him as a loving, God-fearing man, and a helpful man to those who needed him.

Visitation is scheduled for Alan at the Wagley Funeral Home, Tagsold Chapel in Blissfield on Wednesday from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. The funeral will take place at 11 a.m., Thursday, July 12, 2018 at St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Riga with Pastor Justin Shrum officiating. All are welcome to attend and celebrate Alan's life. Burial will be private.

The family would like to thank The University of Michigan Hospital for providing the utmost care for Alan in his final days here with us.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Alan's name. Online condolences and memories may be shared at [www.WagleyFuneralHomes.com](http://www.WagleyFuneralHomes.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 11. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Wagley Funeral Home Tagsold Chapel (Blissfield)  
301 S. Lane St.  
Blissfield, MI 49228  
(517) 486-2133  
info@wagleyfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.WagleyFuneralHome.com>

## Visitation

JUL 11. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wagley Funeral Home Tagsold Chapel (Blissfield)  
301 S. Lane St.  
Blissfield, MI 49228  
(517) 486-2133  
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## Funeral Service

JUL 12. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church  
11949 Wegner Road  
Riga, MI

# Tribute Wall



“ *Alan D. Berry*

January 28, 2023 at 12:24 PM



“ *I always enjoyed working with Alan. He was always so calm and a deep thinker. We enjoyed talking about the Lord on many occasions. I am glad I knew him even if it was only at the hangar.*

Dennis Hartsell - June 25, 2021 at 01:56 PM



“ *There are too many memories to share. He is home now. Whenthings got difficult in life. I would go to my Dad for direction. He would always ask me..."well, did you pray about it?" cuz that is always the first step. Then we would babble about it until The Lord provided the direction. Problem solved. In the end, all Glory to God...making sure His Will...and Not Mine where in my prayers. He planted many seeds...some he was able to watch grow. Still those seeds that have not grown yet...were fed Gods message with Dads passing. Maybe they too will begin to grow now. Christ is the solid rock. All other ground is sinking sand. I am surely blessed...I loved my Dad more then I could ever say and show. Being around him was difficult in the end...he was smiling even though he was dieing...he kept reminding ne to Trust in Gods plans. We all should do that more often. Thank You Dad for teaching me to follow Christ. It is the best gift you could have given me.*

Jennifer Berry - July 12, 2018 at 09:37 PM

SI

“ *Sally and family,  
Marty and I send you our condolences in the  
passing of Alan. We also send you our love  
and prayers. Remembering the times we  
shared at The Harbor brings great memories.  
Shirley and Marty Ignasinski*



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**Shirley and Marty Ignasinski** - July 11, 2018 at 03:44 PM

 Jenn  
Cisek

“ *Sorry to hear of your loss. Mark ran into Sally  
this morning and she told him the news of  
Alan's passing. Alan was a great guy to work  
with. I miss the mornings in the hangar and all  
the talks and laughs at the fuel pit. He will  
surely be missed!*



*Mark, Jennifer, Patrick and Stephanie Cisek  
Toledo, OH*

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**Jenn Cisek** - July 11, 2018 at 09:40 AM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family  
of Alan D. Berry.*



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July 10, 2018 at 09:14 PM

JP

“ Sally and the Berry family,  
Alan was in a special way, family to me. This business we were in,  
Aviation, is very unforgiving if you make a mistake. Alan and the OC  
maintenance team always had my back, always giving me the  
safest aircraft they could possibly give me any given day. My family  
and myself will always be grateful for that. A very special man and  
true friend. I am soo glad our paths crossed in life. I am so sorry his  
heart (physically) wasn't near as strong as his spirit. RIP Alan Berry.  
Sincerely,  
Jim and Jill Parks and family

Jim Parks - July 10, 2018 at 03:32 PM

JT

“ Jana Tuckerman lit a candle in memory of  
Alan D. Berry



Jana Tuckerman - July 10, 2018 at 01:42 PM

EB

“ Sally, Butch & Elaine are sending you hugs & prayers now & later!  
Hope to see you in Fla this winter!

Elaine Benner - July 10, 2018 at 11:10 AM

FS

“ Frank, Nancy, jillian Savage purchased the Large  
Basket Garden for the family of Alan D. Berry.



Frank, Nancy, jillian Savage - July 10, 2018 at 11:06 AM



“ *Summer's Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Alan D. Berry.*



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July 10, 2018 at 09:02 AM



“ *We shared so many wonderful mornings with our coffee and solving all the problems in the world as he would say. Miss you my dear friend*

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**Norma Moore** - July 09, 2018 at 08:55 PM



“ *So sorry to hear of Jason and the families loss.*



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**Jessi Kvatek** - July 09, 2018 at 05:27 PM



“ *Jason and Carrie,  
So sorry to hear of your dads passing, you are in our thoughts and prayers!*

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**Diane Parsons** - July 09, 2018 at 01:57 PM

SH

“ Shelley sent a virtual gift in memory of Alan D. Berry



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**Shelley** - July 09, 2018 at 01:20 PM

GS

“ My deepest sympathy to family and friends. We went school together, it's always hard when we loose another classmate. Harder when it's. Family . My thoughts and prayers are with you.

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**Gale ( Kudlac ) Schikora** - July 09, 2018 at 01:17 PM

SH

“ Dad is the foundation of our family, the one that kept us grounded to God's word and our faith. If my faith could one day be as strong as his! I know that he is finally home and talking farm with all the farmers that went on before him.

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**Shelley** - July 09, 2018 at 12:56 PM