



Albert Lewis Hatch, Sr.

April 20, 1929 - February 17, 2016

Albert Lewis "Al" Hatch, Sr., age 86, of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan was called home Wednesday morning, February 17, 2016. Al was born April 20, 1929 in Trout Lake, Michigan to Glenn and Vada (Hartwick) Hatch. He was stationed in Germany and Guam while serving in the United States Army. As a young man he worked on the railroad and cut pulpwood. He was a welder, working on the building of the International Bridge and the Soo Locks. In later years he worked in marine construction. Al enjoyed singing country and gospel songs while he picked his '52 Gibson guitar. He shared his love of the outdoors with his kids and grandkids by taking them hunting and fishing, and teaching them to respect God's creations. Recently, Al spent most of his time feeding and watching birds, and spoiling all of the families' dogs. He read his Bible daily. Al is survived by his wife: Yvonne "Joyce" (Burgess) Hatch, who he married on September 12, 1953 in Ozark, MI; his six children: Yvonne Burke of Sault Ste. Marie, MI, Marlene (Steve) Hillman of Sault Ste. Marie, MI, Charlotte (Jeff) Geske of Lapeer, MI, Albert (Karen) Hatch, Jr. of Traverse City, MI, Debbie Cook of Sault Ste. Marie, MI and Gary (Sheila) Hatch of Hendersonville, TN; 15 Grandchildren: Christopher, Nathan, and Nicholas Hillman, Jacob and Eli Geske, Conor, Evan, Jonah, Jacqueline, and Melissa Hatch, Caleb, Rachel, and Hannah Cook, Gabrielle and Landon Hatch, and one great grandchild: Ella Cook. Al was preceded in death by his parents, two sisters: Jeanette Bakley and Ella Hatch; and a son-in-law: Donald Cook. A celebration of his life will be held early in the summer. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be left to

Hospice of the EUP.

Tribute Wall

SF

“ Al, our thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family and friends during this sorrowful time. In reading the wonderful tributes to your Mother and Father I can see they were blessed with a wonderful life filled with Love and friendships. God Bless to you and your family. Mike Peterson and the Sequiris Group.

Sequiris Group Family - March 02, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ hi sorry gary and family such a sad time for you all losing both mom and dad love you and prayers love aunt dot and jack sr

dot and jack whaleysr - February 23, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AG

“ Sorry for your loss...annis and mom

Annis George - February 23, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ Dear Joyce & Family: Great memories of Albert (and you all). Glad that our paths crossed long ago. We will be praying for you. Tom & Karen Morley.

Tom & Karen Morley - February 22, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ He was a sweet man. God bless.

Jan Hole - February 21, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ So sorry for the loss of your father. I know my brother, Jeff, sure enjoyed his adventures fishing with Albert. Our condolences, Scott and Debbie

Scott and Debbie (Geske) Suggitt - February 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ So sorry for your loss, thinking of you all at this time of Sorrow

Michelle Taskila - February 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM

GZ

“ Son Gary Hatch is a new friend of mine and I send my sympathies to him and the entire family. I wish I could have met his Dad as well as attend any celebration of life that takes place. Looks like God has a new follower and musician to tend to. "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted".... God Bless the family and friends of Mr. Al Hatch.

Gary & Miki Zabadal - February 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM

WG

“ Sorry for your loss.

Wendy Glenn - February 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ our condolences and sympathy to the Hatch family So sorry Deb and Ron Peake

debbie peake - February 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM

VJ

“ Sending love and prayers to your family. Thinking of you all in this difficult time and knowing you have more to come. Praying for peace for your family.

Vicki Jean - February 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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SP

“ Debbie, I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your father. Please tell your mom, Caleb and the girls I am sending prayers.

sue pavlat - February 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ Gary and Family -- Prayers for you and your family....May you find comfort in the many happy memories you have. Sincerely, Ron and Donna Blair

Ron and Donna Blair - February 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ Gary and family, may you be comforted by God's grace and love during this sad time. Keeping you, Sheila and your family in our prayers. Love, Cindy Johnson (Dan's Mom)

Cindy Johnson - February 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ I still have so many wonderful memories of Uncle Albert and I will treasure them always. I remember his bright smile, his beautiful music, the times we went fishing, and just the time being family. I picture him in heaven picking and singing for the Lord and my dad taking it all in. Praying for all of you ????

Carolyn Burgess - February 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM

FW

“ Condolences To You And The Family Gary...Sorry For Your Loss.

Freeman Woodard - February 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ May comfort and peace find it's way to your hearts.

Toni Mills - February 18, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ The few times I was able to visit...I loved his stories about so many different things. He always made me laugh..and he always made me feel welcome. I am a better person for having known Albert Hatch. He will not be forgotten. I love my Michigan family. Hugs to you all.

Stephanie Peters - February 18, 2016 at 12:00 AM