



Allen John Demroske

December 21, 1929 - February 13, 2026

Allen John Demroske, age 96, of Brimley, Michigan, died on Friday, February 13, 2026. He was born on December 21, 1929, in South Bend, Indiana, to Anthony and Margaret (Zakrzewski) Demroske.

Allen was a proud Korean War veteran who arrived in Korea in March 1951. Assigned to frontline duty as an infantryman with C-15, he served with courage and distinction. For his bravery and sacrifice, he earned the Marine Corps Combat Action Ribbon, a Battle Star, and the Purple Heart.

Known to generations of students as “Mr. D,” he began his career at Brimley High School in 1967. Over the years, he taught biology and physical science, along with U.S. History and junior high life science. In addition to his work in the classroom, he dedicated himself to coaching, first football, and later junior high girls’ basketball, mentoring countless students both academically and athletically.

Allen is survived by his wife, Mary (Coesens) Demroske; daughter, Regina Marchetti; and grandson, Matthew Marchetti.

Allen was preceded in death by his parents, Anthony and Margaret.

Per Allen’s wishes, there will be no services.

Condolences may be given to the family at www.familylifefh.com.

Obituary as submitted by family

Tribute Wall

BK

“ My husband and I had the great privilege of spending an afternoon with Mary and Allan in the summer of 24 in August. It was an honor to hear the stories of their lives from Mary’s artistic abilities and her connections with the freighter captains and experiences painting. Also totally enjoyed Allan stories about the war,the pond in the backyard and his students and teaching experience. We left after visiting the studio with Mary. She hadn’t been there in quite a while and we had many prints to take home with us. It was an honor to meet you both Mary and Allan and we send our heartfelt condolences.Jerry and Beth Keen Presque, isle Michigan.

Beth keen - February 27 at 03:51 PM

TP

“ Had Mr. D for Biology and learned more about Protozoa living in ditch water than I wanted to know. He was passionate about biology and teaching, and yes, included humor where he could. In recent years whenever I ran into him, typically at the doctors office he remembered me and used my name! All those students, all those years and still he remembered! He is and will remain one of the great many teachers at BHS that shaped us for the future. Condolences to his wife and daughter and her family.

Toni Phillips - February 19 at 09:28 PM

LD

“ Sorry for your loss. Prayers for the family. May God comfort you

Linda Duncan - February 19 at 07:41 PM

BS

“ *Mr.D was instrumental in shaping the lives of many students, myself included. He had a sense of humor that occasionally came out during classes. Yet, he instilled in his students that a grade is earned not given and taught hard work does pay off. To his family, I send many prayers and they are in my thoughts as well.*

Billie Taylor Sage - February 19 at 06:24 PM

DM

“ *Gina,*

So sorry for your loss. Remember your dad fondly from coaching football and Jr. High basketball. Also you from playing basketball against my girls basketball team. RIP AL, you will be missed.

*Dave Miller
Former DeTour BB Coach*

David F. Miller - February 19 at 10:09 AM

CB

“ *I am so sorry to hear about your loss Gina and family. He was always good to me and always willing to help when I didn't understand a subject he was teaching.*

Christi Brannon - February 19 at 07:01 AM

LC

“ *Sorry for your loss.*

Lucy Carrick - February 18 at 10:35 AM

PS

I'm so very sorry to hear of Al's passing. My heartfelt condolences are extended to your family and friends.

Pamela Stanaway - February 18 at 11:48 AM