



William W. Alatalo

May 21, 2017

William W. Alatalo, 82 of St. Ignace passed away Sunday morning, May 21 at Hospice of the Straits in Cheboygan following a lingering illness. He was born January 14, 1935 in Paavola, Michigan to John and Lillian (Henderson) Alatalo. He graduated from Hancock High School in 1953, and entered the U.S. Navy on November 16, 1956. He served 2 years and also was in the Naval Reserve until January 1961. He worked for the State of Michigan DNR as a Park Ranger for 30 years retiring in 1989. He was very active in the Boy Scouts of America for 15 years, was a member of Zion Lutheran Church in St. Ignace and a member of Moose Lodge #999.

On June 6, 1959 he married Judy Wirtanen in Atlantic Mine MI., and she survives. Also sons, Jack in Conn.; David and Cathy in Negaunee and Billy in St. Ignace. also a brother, Alfred and Fay in Madison Wisc. He was preceded in death by his son Ross in 1987 and his parents.

Funeral services will be Friday, May 26 at 11 am at Zion Lutheran Church with Pastor David Tielbar officiating. Visitation will be one our prior to services. Burial will be in Carp River Cemetery. Dodson Funeral Home assisted with arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ *William W. Alatalo*

October 05, 2023 at 09:54 AM



“ *William W. Alatalo*

October 02, 2023 at 10:14 PM



“ *William W. Alatalo*

September 01, 2022 at 07:49 PM



“ *Our thoughts and our prayers are with with you. Wish we could be there in person.*

Annette & Norm Vollrath - May 24, 2017 at 05:41 AM



“ *So sorry for your loss. I have you in my prayers .God bless you and your family.*

love MARILYN

Marilyn Tasson - May 23, 2017 at 08:26 PM



“ *Bill was a wonderful man who taught many younger people the better way of life. He will be missed by all. THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS TO THE FAMILY.Regal*

Miriam Blair - May 23, 2017 at 01:50 PM

DF

“ *I am sending my Love and Prayers.
Know you are not alone..
God Bless,
Dolly*

Dolly Felten - May 23, 2017 at 12:11 PM

SC

“ *My thought and prayers to each of you. May your Dad rest in peace.
He will always be in our hearts.*

Sharon Caldwell - May 23, 2017 at 10:49 AM

MN

“ *Our love and thoughts are with the Alatalo family. God Bless.*

Mark & Brigita Naegeli - May 23, 2017 at 10:17 AM

AP

“ *David and Cathy I'm so sorry for the loss of your Dad
You both are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time
Along with your Mom and the rest of the family.*

Amanda Pope - May 23, 2017 at 04:04 AM

LZ

“ *Prayers for the Alatalo family.*

Lisa and Dalton Vander Zee - May 22, 2017 at 09:05 PM

JA

“ *Love you dad. Rest in Peace.*

Jack Alatalo - May 22, 2017 at 06:08 PM