



## Lee A. Thompson Sr.

March 9, 1935 - December 6, 2023

Lee Arthur Thompson Sr., age 88, of Rudyard, Michigan, died at his home on December 6, 2023. He was born on March 9, 1935, in Rudyard, Michigan, to Elmer and Josephine (House) Thompson.

Lee grew up in Rudyard and attended Rudyard High School. He worked for his family's company, Elmer Thompson Contract Business, as a foreman and carpenter. He also worked for Snowden in Escanaba, Michigan, building roads and highways. He met Mary June (Simmons) Thompson, and they married on August 8, 1953, in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, raising their eight children in Rudyard. He started his own business, Lee Thompson Trucking, in Kinross Township, Michigan, and worked as a maintenance supervisor for Kinross Township for more than 20 years, before retiring in 2008.

Lee was a member of the Operating Engineers Local #324, the Michigan Laborers Union, and the National Bowling Association. Lee loved keeping busy, enjoying fishing, hunting, bowling, truck driving, and especially spending time with family.

Lee is survived by his sons, Lee Thompson Jr of Brooklyn, Michigan, Ronald (Pat) Thompson of Sedalia, Missouri, Timothy (Lisa) Thompson Sr. of Rudyard, Michigan, and; daughters, Mary A. Etcher of Kinross, Michigan, and Jane (Tom) Lanaville of Wilson, Michigan; several grandchildren; and

numerous great-grandchildren.

Lee was preceded in death by his parents, Elmer and Josephine; wife, Mary June; sons, Robert and James; daughter, Susan; in-laws, Charles and Margaret Simmons; siblings, Earl, Patricia, Butch, and Mark; and a few grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Services will be held in the Spring of 2024. Any memorials may be directed to Family Life Funeral Homes.

The final resting place will be at the Lakeview Cemetery in Kinross, Michigan.

Family Life Funeral Home assisted the family with arrangements.

Condolences may be left to the family at [www.csmulder.com](http://www.csmulder.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Lakeview Cemetery - Kinross

Lakeview Rd.,  
Kinross, MI 49752

# Events

**Details are pending.**

# Tribute Wall

MI

“ Sorry for your families loss. I bowled with Lee and Elmer back in the 70's at the DonDee. Lee always had a smile on his face and I met his son a wife one night at the bowling alley. Great guy and fun to be around. RIP Lee.

Mike - December 15, 2023 at 05:02 PM

JL

“ During this trying time of Dad's death, I have been reminded over and over again how strong my Dad was. How he had a strong work ethic and would help anyone he could. I am fortunate that I had Dad in my life as long as I did, but it doesn't mean you don't hurt. He would want us to keep moving forward and remember everything that he and Mom taught us about life and humanity. He would want us to remember who we are and where we came from and all the awesome memories we made along the way! I'm so glad that you are pain free now and are back with Mom and the rest. Til we meet again!  
Jane

Jane Lanaville - December 14, 2023 at 11:10 AM

CK

Beautiful said Jane. He was always, busy, I don't think he ever slowed down. He sure loves his bowling. Hugs Jane

Candria kwak - December 14, 2023 at 11:27 AM

JM

My deepest condolences to Jane, Ron and your family I met your father only a couple times during our high school years and found him to be a truly wonderful man always had good advice on cars when ever we went to look for parts and always had a good conversation, he will be truly missed for sure, God Bless all of you.  
Joseph Mattson

JOSEPH L MATTSON - December 15, 2023 at 04:20 AM

SH

*We are SO sorry to hear about Lee. He brought us a few loads of sand for our grandkids to play in and always waved at us when he passed us. Driving in his black dump truck. 😊 A blessing to us for sure he was. Our thoughts and prayers. Vern and Sherry Bertram*

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**sherry** - December 15, 2023 at 07:49 AM



*I will miss Lee. He expertly topped off my 900 ft driveway a few times over the last 20 years. I often had a hug with him when I worked at Kmart. He even called me his "Kmart Girl"  
His tractor broke down in my drive one time. No one could see it from the road. He left it there for quite a while so I put a "4 sail" sign on it with the number BR549 to call. Man knew how to laugh.  
We shared a few tears at times too, like when he thought he had lost his kitty only to find out she had just been shacking up with a male! He had a big heart and I truly will miss him.*

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**Marykaye Weinmann** - December 22, 2023 at 07:44 AM