



Alva I Doan

August 20, 1926 - December 8, 2023

Alva I. Doan, 97, of Benton Township, died Friday, December 8, 2023 at his home.

Celebration of Life Service will be held at 1:00 PM on Thursday, December 14, 2023 at the Fairplain Chapel of Florin Funeral Service in Benton Township with Rev. Steve and Karen Dye officiating. Burial will be at North Shore Memory Gardens where Military Rites will be conducted by the North Berrien Military Detail. Family will receive friends and relatives beginning at noon Thursday at the Fairplain Chapel. Please share messages or memories at www.florin.net.

Alva was born on August 20, 1926 in Braggadocio, MO to Roland and Eutha Doan. He married his wife, Janice, on August 21, 1944 and together they celebrated 67 years of marriage until her death in 2012. Alva served in the U.S. Army during WWII. He was employed as a machine operator at Auto-Specialties until his retirement in 1981 after 32 years. Alva enjoyed tinkering around with most anything mechanical. He loved going to Burger King in the mornings and was one of the southern boys who worked from sunrise to sunset. In his younger years Alva enjoyed going deer hunting and traveling out west with his wife. When Janice became sick, he took care of his wife and kept her at home. In addition to his wife, Alva, loved his grandkids and their babies.

Alva's family includes his children, Darryl (Sandy) Doan of Lincoln Township, and Gary (Debra) Doan of Edgewater, FL; his 8 grandchildren; his 12 great grandchildren; his 6 great great grandchildren, and his sister Mae Wilson of Benton Harbor. He was preceded in death by his wife, Janice; his daughter, Barbara, in 2008 and his son, Dennis, in 2022; his parents; and his brothers and sisters.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 14. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Fairplain Chapel of Florin Funeral Service
1053 East Napier Avenue
Benton Harbor, MI 49022
(269) 926-7222
staff@florin.net

Service Celebrating His Life

DEC 14. 1:00 PM (ET)

Fairplain Chapel of Florin Funeral Service
1053 East Napier Avenue
Benton Harbor, MI 49022
(269) 926-7222
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Military Rites

DEC 14. 2:15 PM (ET)

North Shore Memory Gardens
5027 M 63 N
Coloma, MI 49038

Burial

DEC **14**. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

DH

“ I never knew Alva, but in the past few years of communicating by letters, I felt as tho I had known him all my life. I reread those letters often and will cherish them forever!! He made and sent me some fudge one time-it was soooo good He said you had to make it in an iron skillet 😊 God surround you all with His comfort and peace ❤️

Doris Hofaker - December 14, 2023 at 03:45 PM

SB

“ 3 files added to the album Grandpa Doan



Sharon Brant - December 13, 2023 at 07:30 PM

WL

“ Was a wonderful man i always enjoyed visting him at family get to gathering

William Lomax - December 13, 2023 at 10:37 AM