



Alba "Al" Jay Gulick

January 20, 1934 - August 5, 2023

Al "Abe" Gulick, age 89 of Clare passed away peacefully on Saturday, August 5, 2023 at the Horizon Senior Living Home of Clare. On January 20, 1934, Al was born one of two children to Ford and Gathel (Haas) Gulick in Ithaca, MI. Al was a lifelong resident of the Central Michigan area, and a graduate of the Midland High School Class of 1952. On March 3, 1962, Al was united in marriage to Bonnie K. Buzzell in Midland, and together the couple shared sixty-one years of marriage. Al's working years were largely served in the role of trucker for a few local companies, but his over twenty-year span as a dedicated powder hauler for Rockcrete Transit Mix filled the lion's share of his career. Al also spent time farming in his younger years, which fueled his enjoyment as a hobby farmer in his later years, and he equally enjoyed his thirteen years as a volunteer firefighter with the Clare Fire Dept. Throughout his life, Al enjoyed deer hunting, building model semis when time allowed, and his yearly trip to Florida with Bonnie. However, those that knew Al best, knew that Al sought any opportunity to play a euchre game with family, attend a Great Lakes Loons game with the boys, or tease and pick on anybody that he felt needed a good laugh.

Al is survived by his wife Bonnie of Clare, and his five children Terry (Mary Sue) Gulick of Palm City, FL., Mary Lou Mudd of Midland, Sue (Bruce) Wentworth of Clare, Karen (Scott) Burmeister of Clare, and Larry (Deb) Gulick of Howell. Other survivors include his fifteen grandchildren, eighteen great-grandchildren, his son-in-law Mitch Mudd, his brother-in-law Dave Schlader,

and many nieces and nephews. Al was preceded in death by his parents Ford and Gathel Gulick and his sister Alma J. Schlader..

A funeral service in honor of Al will take place on Monday, August 14, 2023 at 11:00 A.M, at the Clare Chapel of the Stephenson-Wyman Funeral Home with Mr. Larry Gulick officiating. A graveside service will follow in Midland Memorial Gardens at 3:00 P.M. Visitation will take place at the funeral home on Sunday the 13th from 2:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. and 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. Memorial contributions in honor of Al may be directed to either the Clare Fire Department, or MyMichigan Homecare and Hospice. For those unable to attend services, online condolences may be shared at www.stephenson-wyman.com

Cemetery Details

Midland Memorial Gardens Cemetery

565 N. Meridian Rd.
Midland, MI 48640

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 13. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Stephenson - Wyman Funeral Home (Clare)
1005 North McEwan St.
Clare, MI 48617
(989) 386-7451
wymanhf@chartermi.net
<https://www.stephenson-wyman.com/>

Visitation

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Dave Schlader*
I remember the winter night in Houghton Lake when Al and Bonnie stayed in their camper and said they would be warm enough instead of sleeping in the mobile home. The next morning, he said, never again I almost froze to death. That was worth one of many good laughs from him.

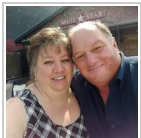
David Schlader - August 13, 2023 at 10:10 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Alba "Al" Jay Gulick.*



August 10, 2023 at 02:09 PM



“ *I remember Al from when he lived on first street in Clare, my cousin's the Dangers lived across the street and we hung out with his kids. Got to be really good friends with Karen his daughter and her husband Scott over the years from the popcorn wagon. Al was a great guy and will be dearly missed by his family and friends.*

R.I.P Al

Scott Giles - August 10, 2023 at 12:49 AM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Alba "Al" Jay Gulick.*

August 09, 2023 at 01:19 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Alba "Al" Jay Gulick.*



August 09, 2023 at 01:19 PM



“ *Sure had a lot of fun times with you Al !!! I will always remember the trip from deer camp in Grayling to Clare and back to camp in a blizzard!! You thought I was nuts but we got there with lots of laughs. Rest well my friend and I'll see you in camp again some day!!!*

mitch mudd - August 08, 2023 at 06:18 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Alba "Al" Jay Gulick.*



August 08, 2023 at 10:49 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Alba "Al" Jay Gulick.*



August 06, 2023 at 08:34 PM

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“ Al was such a lovely caring man I ever knew. It was honor of taking care of him. I love him as grandpa I will always miss him greeting me in the morning on my shift and asking about my family. LOVE and miss you already Al. R.I.P.

Deborah Stoneham - August 06, 2023 at 08:27 PM

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“ First let me thank Al's family for sharing him with us at Horizon Senior Living. He truly was a bright spot in our days!! As the cook I quickly learned Al wasn't into chicken...lol and he LOVED pancakes!! So each Tuesday morning when we had pancakes for breakfast I would make extra to warm up for him during the week (he said he liked the leftover ones better)he was always so appreciative!! And yes he sure was a tease!! We will miss you like the dickens Al!!

Marge Smith - August 06, 2023 at 07:52 PM