



Alan Anthony Ellsworth

October 14, 1946 - June 22, 2024

Alan Anthony Ellsworth, age 77 of Traverse City, Michigan, died in his home on June 22, 2024. He was born on October 14, 1946, in Hemet, California, to Evan Seymour Ellsworth and Isabel Eyring.

Alan married his sweetheart Pamela (Lutz) on February 28, 1972, in Provo, Utah, while attending Brigham Young University. Together, they were blessed with eight children and many adventures. In 1975, the couple moved to establish themselves in Traverse City, Michigan and never looked back.

Alan's life centered around his family. He was a loving husband, dedicated father, and doting grandfather. Alan's unwavering commitment to his children and grandchildren was evident in everything he did. He cherished every moment with them and made it a priority to be present for their life events, big or small. Alan was the definition of patient and when his children and family asked for his time, it was never too much. Alan cherished the ordinary moments - like sharing a

meal together, a ride in the car to the store, sitting around the table talking, or watching a show

together, the small moments felt meaningful with him. His children will miss the many surprises

that came from a conversation with dad; the quiet wit, stories of breaking in horses and

surviving the wilderness for a month, or sometimes even square-dancing tips.

Alan was a devoted and lifelong member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Throughout his life, he exemplified the teachings of Christ, serving as a humble, faithful disciple

and role model to all who knew him. In 1966, Alan served a 32-month mission in Argentina for

The Church. Alan was passionate about serving others and, through his actions, encouraged

his children to find joy in serving others as well. Alan was a man of few words but offered the

precious gift of his time freely to anyone in his company. He has created a legacy with his

gentle, servant heart.

Professionally and personally, Alan was known for his exceptional skills as a handyman. This

skill was demonstrated for nearly twenty-five years as an employee with the Federal Aviation

Administration. At home, no house or car project was too challenging for him to tackle. His

ability to fix things was matched only by his willingness to help others, always lending a hand

whenever needed. His children will miss him sharing his mechanical wisdom for all of their own

projects and the bonding experiences this brought.

Alan had a passion for music, particularly playing the guitar and singing. He delighted in sharing his musical talents with his family and friends, creating lasting memories through the joy of harmonious sounds. His family will remember him when they listen to classics from James Taylor, John Denver and Alison Krauss.

Alan is preceded in death by his siblings: Dan, Kent, and Lary. Alan is survived by his siblings Lyn, Judy, Jill, and Mike; as well as his beloved wife, Pamela; his eight children: David (Lillian), Noel (Jennifer), Megan (Mark) Hammar, Seth (Chelsea), Nathan (Anna), Miles (Austin), Ashlee (Jonathan) Fowler, and Lara (Thomas) Girdwood; his thirty grandchildren; two great-grandchildren: and a large extended family and circle of friends who will miss him dearly.

A funeral service will be held on Saturday, June 29, 2024, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Traverse City at 12:00 p.m. Here is a zoom link for the day of the service if anyone is not able to attend. Zoom Traverse City Michigan District is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Alan Ellsworth Funeral

Time: Jun 29, 2024 12:00 PM America/Detroit

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/94803868629?pwd=hnbWROYNqXtbDW6MWm37vnaqbyqHga.1>

Meeting ID: 948 0386 8629

Passcode: 294450

The family will receive friends beginning at 11:00 a.m. at church on Saturday. Interment will follow in Grand Traverse Memorial Gardens Cemetery. Arrangements provided by Wolfe-O'Neill Funeral Home, our family serving yours.

Cemetery Details

Grand Traverse Memorial Gardens

3575 Veterans Drive
Traverse City, MI 49684

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **29**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
3746 Veterans Drive
Traverse City, MI 49684

Service

JUN **29**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Alan Anthony Ellsworth.*



June 27, 2024 at 08:08 PM



“ *Crimson maple Team purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Alan Anthony Ellsworth.*



Crimson maple Team - June 26, 2024 at 11:41 AM



“ *Terri G. purchased the Serene Reflections Bouquet for the family of Alan Anthony Ellsworth.*



Terri G. - June 26, 2024 at 11:25 AM



“ *Love, Mark and Jerri Jorgensen purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Alan Anthony Ellsworth.*



Love, Mark and Jerri Jorgensen - June 25, 2024 at 02:33 PM