



David W. Nutt

July 25, 1922 - April 18, 2016

David W. Nutt, age 93, of Bad Axe, passed away on Monday, April 18, 2016. David was born in Fillion on July 25, 1922, son of the late Melburn and Margaret (Johnston) Nutt. He married Bernadette Godzinski on June 3, 1957. She preceded him in death on June 14, 1994.

David served in the U.S. Army in the WWII Pacific Theater from 1943 to 1945. He was part of the 40th Division, HQ Company, 187 Infantry, serving as an M7 medium tank driver earning the rank of Tech 5. He took part in several battles and campaigns including New Guinea, Bismarck Archipelago, Southern Philippines and Luzon. He earned numerous awards including the Combat Infantry Badge, Bronze Star, WWII Victory Medal, American Theater Ribbon, Asiatic-Pacific Ribbon with four Bronze Battle Stars, Bronze Service Arrowhead, Philippine Liberation Ribbon with one Bronze Star, three Overseas Service Bars and a Good Conduct Medal. He was a member of the Bad Axe VFW Post 116 and the Thumb Veterans Organization.

David is survived by: 1 Son- Eric (Arlene) Nutt of Chesapeake, Virginia.

2 Daughters- Sherrie (Thomas) Rifenberg of Cheboygan.

Lesa (David) Reeves of New Bern, North Carolina.

2 Sisters- Margaret (James) Miller of Idaho.

Mavis "Dolly" (William) Harper of Deland, Florida.

4. Grandchildren- Kayla Habermehl of Grand Rapids.

Jared Reeves of New Bern, North Carolina.

Meredith Reeves of Pensacola, Florida.

Mariah Reeves of New Bern, North Carolina.

Extended family and close friends George and Lori Krug of Bad Axe and their children, Shari (Adam) Palmer and their son Colson of Frankenmuth, Traci Krug of New Hudson, Eric Krug of Bad Axe and Scott Krug of Zilwaukee.

He was predeceased by: 3 Brothers-Melvin Nutt, Marvin Nutt and John Gordon.

1 Sister-Matilda Rivet.

Services will be held on Saturday at 11 am. at the Kaufman Funeral Home in Bad Axe. Burial with military honors will be held in Colfax Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Kaufman Funeral Home in Bad Axe on Friday from 5-8 pm. or Saturday from 10 am. until the service time at 11 am.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be offered to any veterans' organization or their charities.

Cemetery Details

Colfax Township

Bad Axe, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **22**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Kaufman & Co. Funeral Home, Inc.
84 Westland Dr
Bad Axe, MI 48413
(989) 269-3000
kaufmanfuneralhome@gmail.com

Visitation

APR **23**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Service

APR **23**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *David W. Nutt*

January 28, 2023 at 01:32 PM



“ *We were saddened to hear of Dave's passing. A very nice man. He made a point to seek us out at a family funeral to provide a picture of himself with our Dad (Ray McKnight) when they were young men. I'm sure they had some good stories! Even though it's been 27 years since we lost our Dad, not a day goes by that we don't think of him. May your memories bring peace to your heart. Thinking of you at this difficult time, the Ray McKnight Family (Angie and daughters: Cindy, Sheila, Mary & Kim).*

Mary McKnight Kittle - April 23, 2016 at 01:30 PM



“ *It was always a pleasure to see and talk with Dave, Even during the times he was here in Virginia. I thanked him for being there when my father passed in 2014 and was able to visit him at his home before I left. Sorry for your losses to Eric and his sisters. Dave lived a long and prosperous life. A prayer goes out to all of you.
Bob Schultz - Chesapeake, Virginia*

Bob Schultz - April 23, 2016 at 07:59 AM

SH

“ Good morning family and friends,
Waking up to a beautiful, crispy morning, listening to Sandhill
cranes, Red-wing black birds and the smell of spring on her way. As
we sit with our family, we are in celebration with God's creation's
thanking Him for the many sunrises in which we were able to share
with Papa over the years.
With love,
Sherrie and family



Sherrie - April 23, 2016 at 06:00 AM

SH

Dear family and friends,
As we sit here with dawn breaking listening to the Sandhill Cranes, Red
Wing Blackbirds and Robin's, we are reminded of God's grace and
love. We are thankful for the many years of shared sunrises with Papa
With love,
Sherrie and family

Sherrie - April 23, 2016 at 06:12 AM

DR

“ When I got word of the accident I was moved. This can happen so fast and unexpectitly. So Sorry!
My husband and I perched our first home, on Hellems Rd. Fillion, from Elmer Nutt and our son bought the home across the road from Amel. A few years ago, we moved to Dobson Rd. where Millie and Amel lived for several years. We were left with many peices of family history, including a quilt with Melbern and his brothers, sister's, and parents names on it. If family would like to check any of this out, our contact is ddfarms46@yahoo.com
Again sincerely sorry for your loss. Don and Denise Rice

Don Rice - April 22, 2016 at 08:44 PM

LG

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Linda Godzinski - April 21, 2016 at 08:36 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of David W. Nutt.



April 21, 2016 at 06:26 PM

KS

“ Khatib Slama purchased the America the Beautiful for the family of David W. Nutt.



Khatib Slama - April 21, 2016 at 04:35 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of David W. Nutt.



April 21, 2016 at 01:04 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of David W. Nutt.



April 21, 2016 at 12:52 AM

LH

“ *Cousin David Nutt was an amazingly strong and wonderful presence in our family. I will never forget his attendance at our brother Jeremiah's funeral in 2014 where he saluted with pride to a soldier who served. I smile as I think of his delivery of the 'peanut butter pies' to our parties. I enjoyed knowing that he checked in on Dad and Mom by phone and visited regularly. David will be greatly missed and we continue to pray for his family- whom he loved dearly.*

Laurie Hilliker, daughter of Wes and Ann Nutt

Laurie Hilliker - April 20, 2016 at 09:38 PM

LD

Thank you so much for your kind words. Dad loved ya'll so much!

Lesa Reeves, dad's daughter - April 23, 2016 at 05:51 AM

SN

“ *David W.Nutt, a highly decorated combat veteran served his country and the US Army Faithfully and Honorably. He gave more than he received. David was almost always positive and a free spirit. He was a Great American role model for all Americans. I am Proud, PROUD to be related to David W.Nutt. Rest in Peace cousin and Brother in Arms.*

*Stephen J. Nutt
Major, Special Forces
US Army (RET.)*

Steve Nutt - April 20, 2016 at 09:31 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of David W. Nutt.*



April 20, 2016 at 06:42 PM



“ *Spring Has Sprung Mixed Basket was purchased for the family of David W. Nutt.*



April 20, 2016 at 04:09 PM



“ *America the Beautiful was purchased for the family of David W. Nutt.*



April 20, 2016 at 10:52 AM



“ *Our hearts are broken - we have lost one of the greatest men - Father - Grandfather - Brother - Uncle - to have walked this earth. He was always there to greet you with a smile and hug. So many memories from Bad Axe to New Port Richey - and back to Bad Axe. We followed him everywhere. Love - Hugs - Prayers to the Nutt Family. Mike & Linda Gosdzinski*



Linda Gosdzinski - April 20, 2016 at 09:40 AM