



## Millard "Bill" Deering

October 19, 1926 - July 16, 2018

Millard "Bill" Deering, age 91 of Bad Axe, passed away on Monday, July 16, 2018, at Courtney Manor Nursing Facility of Bad Axe after a short illness.

Bill was born in Elkton on October 19, 1926, son of the late Jacob and Katherine (Frank) Deering, Sr. He attended Elkton High School, graduating in 1945. On August 19, 1950, he married Beatrice Buchholz at Cross Lutheran Church in Pigeon.

After serving in the U.S. Army during WWII, Bill attended Deforest training in Chicago where he earned a degree in radio & TV repair. Shortly thereafter, he became a licensed electrician and opened Deering Electric. He also constructed Outer Drive Apartments and developed the Westland Subdivision. In 1980 he sold Deering Electric, at which time he built the Westland Duplexes and Amber Drive Condominiums.

Bill was an avid fan of Tiger baseball and loved FOX News. He would want everyone to remember to, "Keep on smiling, because it looks good on you and it doesn't cost anything."

Bill is survived by:

His wife – Beatrice Deering of Bad Axe.

Three Sons – Wayne (Gay) Deering of Kalamazoo, Ron (Rebecca) Deering of Empire and Bryan (Pam) Deering of Bad Axe.

One Brother – Richard (Joyce) Deering of Sandusky.

One Sister – Frances Spaeth of Ocala, FL.

Seven Grandchildren.

Five Great –grandchildren.

Bill was preceded in death by:

Six Brothers – Edward, Jacob, Jr, Harold, Donald, Gerald and Ralph Deering.

Two Sisters – Ada Hutchinson and Ester Schweitzer.

Services will be held Friday, July 20, 2018, at 11:00 a.m. at Our Savior

Lutheran Church in Bad Axe. Officiating will be Rev. Kenneth Lueke. Burial

with military honors will be in Cross Lutheran Church Cemetery in Pigeon.

Friends may call at the Kaufman Funeral Home in Bad Axe on Thursday, July

19, 2018, from 4:00 – 8:00 p.m. or Friday at the church from 10:00 a.m. until

the service time at 11:00 a.m.

A vigil celebration of Bill's life will be offered on Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at the funeral home.

# Cemetery Details

## Cross Lutheran Church Cemetery

Pigeon, MI

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 19. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

## Vigil Celebration

JUL 19. 7:30 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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## Visitation

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JUL 20. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Our Savior Lutheran Church  
123 W. Irwin St.  
Bad Axe, MI

## Service

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JUL 20. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Our Savior Lutheran Church  
123 W. Irwin St.  
Bad Axe, MI

# Tribute Wall



“ *Millard "Bill" Deering*

January 28, 2023 at 01:32 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss. Mr. Deering was always very kind and helpful to me. Your old babysitter and former tenant (Candy Golding Green)*

**candy green** - July 22, 2018 at 03:43 PM



“ *Our sincere sympathies to the entire Deering family on the passing of 'Bill'. We enjoyed having the opportunity to meet and engage in conversation with him when he would visit Wayne and Gay. We hope you can all find peace in the memories you hold in your hearts.*

*Bill and Tammy Birch*

**Bill Birch** - July 20, 2018 at 09:22 AM



“ *Mr. Deering a fine man .. He always told my husband " you do good work but not enough of it" well now he can see him where there is no more pain. Have a good talk Bill because you both loved to talk. My sincere sympathies to you all. Rest in peace Luci Adams-Kaminski*

**Luci Kaminski** - July 19, 2018 at 05:51 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Millard "Bill" Deering.



July 19, 2018 at 03:37 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Millard "Bill" Deering.



July 19, 2018 at 12:52 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Millard "Bill" Deering.



July 19, 2018 at 08:52 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Millard "Bill" Deering.



July 19, 2018 at 07:29 AM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Millard "Bill" Deering.



July 18, 2018 at 10:17 PM



“ Lots of memories visiting with Bill, from him plowing our snow in the early years to "boys can you wash my truck and car". Always a story to tell us ! Sorry I won't be there Brian and family I'll be out of town, but I will be thinking of you AL TUFF-KOTE PSA

AL ACKERMAN - July 18, 2018 at 08:31 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Millard "Bill" Deering.



July 18, 2018 at 03:05 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Millard "Bill" Deering.



July 18, 2018 at 02:45 PM



“ *With Distinction* was purchased for the family of Millard "Bill" Deering.



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July 18, 2018 at 01:29 AM



“ *Sorry to learn of Uncle Bill's passing. Sending condolences to Aunt Bea and all the cousins.*  
*Dale Deering*

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**Dale Deering** - July 17, 2018 at 08:56 PM