



Daniel Vern Potter

February 12, 1946 - November 2, 2021

Daniel Vern Potter, 75, of Fife Lake, MI passed away November 2nd, 2021 at Memorial Central Hospital of a heart attack. Dan was born in Lansing on February 12th, 1946 to Aubory M. and Wenona M. (Symonds) Potter. Daniel served in both the US Navy and Army National Guard and worked as a Mechanic for over 45 years. Many will remember his fun and jovial personality along with his charitable heart. He was always there to help folks in need, even if it was outside his wheelhouse. His compassion and overall accommodating personality helped a lot of people over the years. He will be missed by many. During his time in the Navy, Engine-man 2 Daniel V. Potter served on the USS Iwo Jima and as part of the US Naval Inshore War Group 1 in Vietnam on the River Patrol Boats. He served two tours in Vietnam. He earned the National Defense Ribbon with Bronze Service Star, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal "Vietnam", Navy Achievement Medal with Combat Valor, and the Good Conduct Medal. Upon the end of his Naval Service, he joined the Army National Guard. During his time in the National Guard, Sergeant Daniel V. Potter earned the Army Service Ribbon, the Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal, Army Achievement Medal, and the Michigan National Guard Medal. He served a total of just under 22 years in military service. He is survived by his mother, Wenona Cummer, children; Jerome & Sue Northrup, Bucky Gibbs, Sandra Hendershott, Teletha & Carl Summers, and Charlene & Edward Calvosa and his siblings Vivian Engle, Thomas & Cindy Chapman, April Kelley, Colleen "Jeanne" Gutierrez & Dan Peck, Lewis

& Janet Potter, and Catherine & Cliff Stone. He was preceded by his wife Patricia L. Potter, his father, Aubory, his brother Lawrence Potter, his sister Judith Hansen, and his brother Arthur Potter. A funeral service for Daniel will be held on Friday November 12, 2021 at 11:00 AM at the Kalkaska Funeral Home with final visitation beginning at 10:00 AM. Please visit Dan's tribute page at kalkaskafuneralhome.com and share a memory with his family.

Cemetery Details

Springfield Township Cemetery (Clark Cemetery)

10995 Coster Rd.
Fife Lake, MI 49633

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 12. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Kalkaska Funeral Home
152 S Cedar St
P.O. Box 1457
Kalkaska, MI 49646

Funeral Service

NOV 12. 11:00 AM (ET)

Kalkaska Funeral Home
152 S. Cedar
Kalkaska, MI 49646
(231) 258-3346

Tribute Wall

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“ Daniel and I were best friends when we were stationed at the Naval Weapons Laboratories in Dahlgren, Va. We worked together and played together every day. I have been trying to find him for years on Facebook. It grieves me that I found him because of an obituary. I missed him by a few months. I only wish we could have been able to get together one more time before this day. even though I have not had contact with him since 1972 I will miss him greatly.

Terry Rotman - January 13, 2022 at 12:02 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Daniel Vern Potter.



November 11, 2021 at 02:56 PM

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“ I remember when we were kids Dan had a popsickle route. I always got to tag along and I got to sit on top.

Tom Chapman - November 10, 2021 at 05:39 PM

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“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Alan - November 10, 2021 at 04:03 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Daniel Vern Potter.*



November 10, 2021 at 10:42 AM



“ *My brother was the best mechanic around, always a Greece monkey, and my sister Judy use to bring clothes home from kair for him, and she would tell him to put clean clothes on, RIP brother we love ❤️ You and tell family up there we love them all!!*

Vivian Engle - November 09, 2021 at 06:11 PM



“ *Danny potter was a good man. He was always there to help people in need. I remember I called him to see if he could come and put a part on my car. He said, I will be there in 30 min. He came and fixed my car and he didn't look very good and I asked if he was okay. It was in the winter time and he told me he had pneumonia. I asked him what I owed him and he said free today. I gave him 50.00 and told him to go home and get to bed. He was such a funny guy, always made me laugh. RIP DANNY 😞😞*

laura bodrie - November 08, 2021 at 06:13 PM



“ *My dad always tinkered on things. He was a fun guy, always cheerful, kind and generous to everyone. He loved my mother with all his being and will be with her in Heaven now. I love you Dad! May you Rest In Peace.*



Charlene Calvosa - November 08, 2021 at 12:20 PM

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“ Dear Winona and family. I'm heartbroken for your loss
May our loving God be with you now and on the future. 🙏❤️

Susan DePeel - November 06, 2021 at 12:48 AM

TC

Dan my brother was always a mechanic hewas always mechanical
love to work on things I remember when we were kids he had a
popsicle route and I had to tag along and ride on top he always like
taking me along lol.

Tom chapman - November 10, 2021 at 06:03 PM