



# Dalton E. Fleck

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## **Dalton E. Fleck**

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**L**akeview - Dalton E Fleck, age 88, of Edmore formerly of Six Lakes passed away May 4, 2017 at his home. Dalton was born September 25, 1928 in Six Lakes on the family farm, to Lucas Marcus and Miriam (Dawes) Fleck. He was raised in Six Lakes and graduated from Six Lakes High School Class of 1946. Upon graduating, Dalton served his country faithfully and honorably in the Army Air Corp from August 1946 until January 1950. He enlisted as a Med Tech and graduated from Basic Training at Randolph Field in 1948. Dalton then scored high and became a Fighter Pilot. Upon fulfilling his duty, Dalton was 2nd Lt Dalton E Fleck. He joined the Reserves at Selfridge Air Force Base from July 1, 1951 to March 7, 1953.

Dalton returned home and spent morning and night on the family farm, working in the fields and milking Jersey cows. Dalton attended college and completed one year Agricultural classes. Dalton farmed his whole life retiring the cows in 1996 and then officially retiring in 2005. Dalton married Teresa "Michele" Wheatley on April 4, 1992 in Six Lakes, Michigan.

Dalton was a member of the School Board, Zoning Administrator, Board of Appeals, Farm Bureau of Montcalm County, and was a lifetime member of the Six Lakes Masonic Lodge 18. Dalton enjoyed Euchre, horse shoes, snowmobiling, golfing, trapping, ice spearing, fishing, hunting with dogs, and feeding and taking care of his son's horses.

Dalton will be deeply missed by his wife Michele Fleck of Edmore; two children Pamela (Robert) Gummer of Muskego, WI, and Michael (Jane) Fleck of Six Lakes; one step-daughter Shannon (Gene) Kesteloot of Harrison; seven grandchildren Tonia Peters, Ryan Gummer, Angela Kardelis, Angela Hoogeveen, Rachelle Valentine, Bryan Sturm, Kristina Leipus; eleven great-grandchildren; two sisters Martha Burns of Six Lakes, and Doris (John) Snyder of Sparta; and several nieces, nephews, and friends.



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Dalton was preceded in death by his first wife Joann (Lewis) Fleck on July 24, 1991; his parents Lucas and Miriam Fleck; and baby sister Joyce.

Funeral Services for Dalton will be Tuesday, May 9, 2017 at 1:00 PM at the Six Lakes Chapel. Visitation is scheduled from 4:00-8:00 PM on Monday May 8, 2017 also at the Six Lakes Chapel. A luncheon will take place at the VFW Post in Six Lakes following the burial at Hillcrest Cemetery in Six Lakes. Contributions in Dalton's memory may be made to Spectrum Health Hospice of Grand Rapids or to Alzheimer's Association.



## Tribute Wall

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MR

**Mary Millard Rausch** posted:

Deepest sympathies to your family

November 20 at 8:00 PM

GT

**Genny Towne** posted:

I am so sad for your loss. Dalton was a great man and I am proud to say I knew him. RIP my friend, you have been promoted! Your family is in my prayers as they celebrate your life.

November 20 at 8:00 PM

RG

**Rich Garrabrant** posted:

I pray that our Heavenly father assuage the grief of the family members and loved one's of Dalton. I am filled with sorrow for their loss yet feel a deep inner joy that Dalton's Spirit is now with the Lord.

November 20 at 8:00 PM

SK

**Shannie Kesteloot** posted:

I will forever love and miss having you in my life... You taught me so much more than you could ever have imagined, Daddie 'D'! I will strive just to try and become half of the humanitarian you were while you were still here on Earth. There are VERY few men of your character left today, so I will keep our memories close to my heart forever. I love you - my Daddie 'D'

November 20 at 8:00 PM

SD

**Shirley Drain** posted:

Michelle, I am so sorry! Please convey our condolences to the rest of the family. We are away, but I will be thinking about you. He is in a better place now, no more suffering for him.

November 20 at 8:00 PM

LS

**Linda Scott** posted:

Michelle, Losing a loved one is very difficult. May you feel our Heavenly Father's Love at this very difficult time. Treasure all the good memories and know that you will one day see him again. Families are forever, there is an eternal plan. Hugs for you.

November 20 at 8:00 PM



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DA

**Diane Allen** posted:

My deepest sympathies to all who loved him! Many memories of the Fleck's family growing up!

November 20 at 8:00 PM

GB

**Gaye Baron** posted:

So sorry Michelle. Another good one is gone. Dave and I will be there on Mon. or Tues. Hugs.

November 20 at 8:00 PM

DF

**Danette Ward And David Emmons & Family** posted:

The Emmons family sends our thoughts and prayers to the family. Dear Michele, Both you and Dalton were such great friends to our parents, Duane and Joan. They get to be friends in Heaven now. You lead us during my father's memorial with such great words and prayer. I wish I had your ability to share such wonderful words of wisdom. Dalton was a very kind man and will be greatly missed down here on earth. RIP up there in Heaven, Dalton Fleck.

November 20 at 8:00 PM

LM

**Lew Maynard** posted:

The Fleck Family were great friends from years ago when we lived in Six Lakes. They were like family to us and we so appreciate the time that we had with all of them over the years.

November 20 at 8:00 PM

JW

**James Webber** posted:

Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was: and the spirit shall return to God who gave it. My Deepest Sympathy for you and your family. A Just Man has gone to his reward and Peace, May God hold him gently and mercifully\_\_\_

November 20 at 8:00 PM



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