



## John Garrett Van Gemert Jr.

August 6, 1931 - June 1, 2016

Van Gemert, John G. Jr., June 1, 2016 age 84 of Plymouth formerly of Detroit and Highland Park. Beloved husband of Eunice. Loving father of Gene, Jack, Julie and Bruce (Debra). Proud grandpa of Janine, James, Bruce Jr., Chad, Christie, Amanda and Jaclyn. Great-Grandpa of Max and Angelina. Dear brother of the late Lenore (Albert) Oravec. John proudly served his country, while serving in the U.S. Army, during the Korean conflict. Funeral Service Saturday 1 PM at the Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 46401 W. Ann Arbor Rd., (Btwn Sheldon and Beck) Plymouth. Visitation Friday 3-8 PM. Interment at Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly, MI. Memorial contributions may be to the American Cancer Society, 20450 Civic Center Drive, Southfield, MI 48076. To share a memory, please use the Share a Memory Tab on this web page.

# Cemetery Details

## Great Lakes National Cemetery

4200 Belford Road  
Holly, MI 48442

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JUN 3.** 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home Plymouth  
46401 Ann Arbor Road West  
Plymouth, MI 48170  
(734) 459-2250  
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## Funeral Service

**JUN 4.** 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

DS

“ I worked with John in 1977. He was a great teacher and most importantly a great person.

Dave.

David Strunk - December 15, 2024 at 11:56 AM



“ John Garrett Van Gemert Jr.

December 07, 2023 at 05:11 AM

BG

“ Dad wating to be old enough to go with you to work riding in your truck playing on the big truck jacks going to get a hamburger fry and Coke for lunch by myself across the street at the little restaurant having a great dad, I will not forget what a great man you were to us all Love you.

bruce van gemert - June 03, 2016 at 05:17 AM

WF

“ With Love, Lee Ann Hasty, Heather Davis and family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of John Garrett Van Gemert Jr..



With Love, Lee Ann Hasty, Heather Davis and family - June 02, 2016 at 11:45 PM

LH

“ I remember Uncle John as always being very jolly and laughing when all the families would get together. Did he often have an unlit cigar in his mouth too? He and Aunt Eunice were always very kind and loving to me and my siblings. I'll remember him with sweet memories from my childhood.

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**Lee Ann Hasty** - June 02, 2016 at 10:50 PM

JL

“ Grandpa there are so many memories ❤️. I remember riding on the center, front seat arm rest of the grand marquee 😊 so I could see over the dash board, digging my fingers into the brown velvet apolstry as you drove.

*I will miss kissing you good bye with the scruff of wiskers on your cheek and the smile you have me as I said good bye and I love you.*



*I remember sharing the front seat of the blue windstar van with Zeus. His head as close to the windshield as he could get it while sitting on the passenger seat with me. You driving and grandma in the back seat on Edward Hines drive.*

*I will miss our random breakfasts at Zack's in Plymouth. I loved surprising you and grandma on my day off, taking you two out. Watching the serves flirt with you.*

*The last few years you didn't remember my name. I went from Janine to "that girl" but I always new you loved me by the smile you have me.*

*I will miss your hugs but you will always be in my heart.*

*Your loving grand daughter, Janine*

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**Janine Luesing** - June 02, 2016 at 07:03 PM

JG

“Dad, thank you for all you did. We had a great time going on Sunday rides to Northville for Ice Cream and watch the ducks at the Ford Plant.

All us kids used to wait for you to come home from work, to see if you had the inter tubes to play on. Everybody said here comes Mr. Van Gemert and you would roll those things in the park. We played for hours on those tubes. Got very dizzy. LOL

On Sundays when you washed the car, thank you for letting me wash the rims.

I hope you are with Toby 1, Sparky and Toby 2 and Zeus. I bet they couldn't wait to see you again.

I just want to say Dad, I will always love you and see you one day.

Love Always, Julie

Much Love from Mom

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**Julie Van Gemert** - June 02, 2016 at 05:16 PM



“Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of John Garrett Van Gemert Jr..



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June 02, 2016 at 02:34 PM

KM

“*Julie, May the many good memories of your dad bring you comfort during this hard time in your life. He was a man of strong will and character. I know he had a major influence on your life. Love, Kathy McMurray*

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**Kathy McMurray** - June 02, 2016 at 02:04 PM