



Walter Maxwell Ritter Jr.

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We are devastated to announce the loss of a great man.

On Thursday, October 2, 2025, Walter Maxwell Ritter Junior, born October 17, 1935, passed away surrounded by his loved ones at home. He goes on to join his wife of almost 55 years, Jeanne, whom we lost five years ago. He was also preceded in death by his parents, Walter and Anna (Boukamp) Ritter, his siblings Bob, Don, Chuck, Joyce and his children, Susan, Tommy, David and Thomas.

Walt was beloved by everyone who knew him and will be greatly missed by his siblings Gloria and Jerry, his daughters Lisa (Robert) and Laura (Joe), his grandchildren Lawrence (Soo Jin), Jessica, James, Janae (Ken), Amanda (Russ), Joe, David, Alexi (Ian), Anais (Ian), Emery, Sean and Tom. He was also lucky enough to be Papa to his great-grandchildren: Ava, Mason, Becky, Eric, Ayden, Rhyker, Jasmyn, Zane, Caiden, Ariana, Marceline, Eli, Coralyn, Easton and Genesis.

He will be especially missed by his special friend, Sharlynn. Walt was a teacher and mentor to many. He retired from Howmet/Alcoa after many years there in management and went on to consult for them. He went on to teach the Bible in classes for years. His last class was at his apartment complex with (as he called them), the "Village" people.

He and Jeanne loved to travel. They visited locations worldwide, including Thailand and Germany. They made friends everywhere, and Walt was infamous for seeing people he knew in unexpected places. We will miss him every day but know he will be with us in the many lives he touched.

Visitation will be on Thursday, October 9, 2025, from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at Shoreline Memorial Services, 137 E. Laketon Muskegon, Michigan 49442 and the funeral service will be held at Discovering Christ Church, 2330 Holton Rd North Muskegon, Michigan 49445 on Friday, October 10, 2025, at 2:00 p.m.



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In lieu of flowers, please donate to Spreading the Word Ministry in care of Thomas and Evelyn Bump 1359 West Arthur Rd, New Era, Michigan 49446. If a tax receipt is needed you may donate to their sister ministry Infaith Mission 145 John Robert Thomas Dr. Exton, PA 19341. This was a ministry close to Walt's heart that works with youth.

Arrangements by Shoreline Memorial Services -- Muskegon Chapel --(231)-722-5050



Tribute Wall

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Cheryl Ryefield posted:

May the planting of this tree honor a very special man who brought love and joy to so many.

October 12 at 8:00 PM

MA

Margaret Aldous lit a candle in honor of Walter.

Walt was a great man he taught me so much when he came to Howmet to teach us how to be trainers for the wax department, we had fun and he told us so many stories, I will miss seeing his posts on fb. R I P Walt you are with your wife and parents now and I know you will be with your family in spirit. ♥️🙏



October 6 at 8:00 PM

RD

Rachel Stone Dykema posted:

I remember Wally from Evanston Avenue Baptist Church in Muskegon. He would sing solos too. I was in the choir, and played the organ and piano with our friends during services. He was a nice guy. Rachel Stone Dykema (now in Chas., S.C.)

October 6 at 8:00 PM

AR

A Memorial Tree Was Planted For Walter Maxwell Ritter Jr. posted:

We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Shoreline Memorial Services - Muskegon

October 5 at 8:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Walter by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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