



Gordon W. Faust

February 4, 1933 - January 25, 2024

Gordon W. Faust of Troy Michigan returned to the Lord on January 25th. He leaves behind his wife Joy (Ayres) of 63 years, his sister Bobbie Counsell his children Melissa, Amy and Matthew, grandchildren Alexander Bergel (wife Trisha), Katrina Bergel, Owen, Chris, Sean and Patrick Faust, and his great grandchildren Aurora and Gemma Bergel and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his parents Walter and Louise Faust and his sister Marilyn Albrecht.

Gordon, born in 1933 in Detroit, had two older sisters to watch over him and help him transition from German to English in kindergarten. After many trips out west to work at Yellowstone National Park he truly enjoyed all things American Indian and learning their culture. He always returned to Michigan where he married Joy from Grosse Pointe. They met under the clock tower on the Michigan State University campus. Gordon graduated from MSU with a BA in Business.

His father, Walter, started Keystone Machine & Tool. Gordie worked with his dad growing up and took over the family business. He received a Master of Business from Wayne State University and enjoyed teaching there.

Gordon was brought up volunteering in the Lutheran church as his parents were charter members of St. James Lutheran Church of Grosse Pointe

Farms. He went on to be Superintendent of Sunday School which was pretty important to all the little ones who even thought about tapping their feet during Sunday School. He volunteered at many events at Beautiful Savior and especially enjoyed Saturday night services.

Walter purchased a farm in Romeo Michigan and Gordie fell in love with life on the farm and tractors. Gordon and Joy purchased the Windy Ridge Orchards in Saline and enjoyed the cider mill business. Of course, adding some long horn steers, goats and horses is what every orchard needs. He enjoyed taking children on hay rides at the farm with the big red Massey Ferguson and taking his grandchildren to the annual agricultural show at MSU and state fairs.

Each child and grandchild and all of their friends received a sales pitch to join up with the Navy as soon as they reached high school. Gordie always talked about his years as an SNJ-2 Texan pilot (he explained secret navy jet with a wink) in the Navy and how much he enjoyed flying. Gordon was on the USS Monterey an Independence-class light aircraft carrier. Perhaps learning to fly taught him a special sense of wonder about the sky and stars. It was that magical sense of wonder in his face when he told us about new scientific discoveries and astronomy. He probably said, 'Wow, Wow, Wow' when entering heaven.

We wish Gordie a Navy farewell: Fair winds and following seas

Memorials: St. Judes Children's Research Hospital or the Fellowship Fund at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

Cards and condolences may be sent to Joy, care of their son, Matt, who will be collecting them on behalf of family:

Joy Faust

c/o Matt Faust
2505 Avonhurst
Troy, MI 48084

Previous Events

Memorial Funeral Service

FEB 4. 1:00 PM (ET)

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church
5631 N. Adams Road
Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304

Tribute Wall



“ *Mark, Colin & Joyce, Tom & Elaine purchased the Rose Remembrance for the family of Gordon W. Faust.*



Mark, Colin & Joyce, Tom & Elaine - February 03, 2024 at 10:51 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Gordon W. Faust.*



February 02, 2024 at 12:00 PM