



Alan M. Ladd

March 26, 1955 - January 5, 2023

Dodgeville—Alan Mark Ladd, age 67, of Dodgeville passed away on Thursday, January 5, 2023 at Upland Hills Health surrounded by his loving family.

He was born on March 26, 1955 in Dodgeville, son of Chadwick and Marion (Rhinerson) Ladd. He graduated from Dodgeville High School in 1973. In 1978 he married Teresa Jacqueline “Jackie” Haga and together they had 3 children: Carmen, Chadwick, and Caitlin.

Alan was a part of Walnut Hollow Farm for 49 years. He started as a logger, then became a CNC programmer, and spent the majority of his career there as the kiln operator and Plant Manager. Alan retired in April 2022 but said last week: Retirement isn’t all it’s cracked up to be, as he wrapped all the Christmas gifts for his kids and grandkids while Jackie was still working.

Alan loved the outdoors, fishing, hunting, and spending time with his family and friends. He took great pride in caring for his property with his many machines (which his family called his “toys”). In the last 17 years Alan’s greatest joy has been his grandchildren Isabella “Izzy” and Quinn “Two Shoes” Koch. Who would have thought one of this big tough guy’s favorite activities every June for the last 15 years was sitting through a five-hour dance recital, where apparently there were only two girls he was able to see.

From the day of his father's passing, and for the next 45 years after that, Alan helped take care of his mother. He also extended his web of support to anyone who needed it. There was nothing Alan couldn't do; now so many of us won't know who to call when we need help. He was never one to brag, however he always made sure the job was done to his special level of perfection. The world will now have one less quiet helper.

Alan is survived by his wife Jackie, his mother Marion (over 100 years old); his children: Carmen (Keegan Koch) Ladd-Koch, Chadwick Ladd, and Caitlin Ladd; his grandchildren: Izzy and Quinn; his siblings: Nancy Johns and Barbara Thompson; as well as countless nieces, nephews, and many other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his father Chadwick Ladd and his brothers-in-law Doug Johns and Bill Haga and his sister-in-law Mary Lucker.

The family would like to sincerely thank the Dodgeville EMS and the Upland Hills emergency staff for their compassion and caring.

A visitation will be held from 3:00 pm until 5:45 pm on Wednesday January 11, 2023 at the GORGEN-McGINLEY & AYERS FUNERAL HOME in Dodgeville, WI with a service held at 6:00 pm. Please join the family for food and fellowship at the Dodger Bowl following the service.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 11. 3:00 PM - 5:50 PM (CT)

Gorgen-McGinley & Ayers Funeral Home
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Dodgeville, WI 53533
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Service

JAN 11. 6:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ I worked at Walnut Hollow with Al, being a young kid who didn't want to listen to anyone Al helped instill a work ethic into me that I'll never forget.
"Do it the right way or don't even bother" 🙄
I sure heard that often!
It was an honor to know him, my thoughts are with his family.

Karri Goold - January 12, 2023 at 06:29 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Alan M. Ladd.



January 10, 2023 at 02:34 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Alan M. Ladd.



January 10, 2023 at 02:43 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Alan M. Ladd.*



January 09, 2023 at 11:38 AM



“ *Al will be missed. I worked with Al at Walnut Hollow. He knew how to make me feel wanted.*

Sandy R Weier - January 08, 2023 at 09:11 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Alan M. Ladd.*



January 08, 2023 at 07:58 PM



“ *When I married into the Haga family, I was blessed to get 5 brothers, with Al being 1 of them. He always had a hug for me and made me feel like a sister. My fondest memory of him was when he and Jackie came to Neenah and fried fish for us that he had caught. He admonished me when I offered to make some tartar sauce saying the fish was tasty enough! He was right. I will miss you Al and my love and prayers to Jackie, Chad, Caitlyn and Carmen and her family.*

Nancy - January 08, 2023 at 06:13 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Alan M. Ladd.*



January 08, 2023 at 04:58 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Alan M. Ladd.*



January 08, 2023 at 03:17 PM



“ *I'm Jackie's younger sister, Anne. Al and Jackie took me into their house many times from my age of 12 past 18. They always had good advice for this rebellious teenager, although I admit I didn't always take it. I was always observant of Al's attention to detail in everything he did. He believed in doing things right the first time. I remember once offering to mow the lawn and Al smiled at the thought and flat out said, "Nope, you'll mow in every direction". Even when it came to lawn mowing, he would see it was done the best and most right way for the health of the grass, and visual effect. He was one of the most decent people I'd met in my life and I'm glad to have known him. Al, you will be missed.*

Anna Graham - January 08, 2023 at 02:58 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Alan M. Ladd.*



January 08, 2023 at 11:13 AM



“ *My sympathies to Jackie and the family. I worked as Al's secretary for many years at Walnut Hollow. May God give the family comfort and peace.*

Chris Glass - January 08, 2023 at 08:00 AM