



Arlen Thomas McCloskey

April 24, 1949 - June 21, 2025

Arlen Thomas McCloskey aged 76 of Scottville went to be with his Lord and Savior on Friday, June 21, 2025. Arlen was born April 24, 1949 in Hart the son of Orville and Margrete (Verschueren) McCloskey. Being raised on the 80 acre family property on Black Lake, summers were filled with swimming, fishing and lots of mischief. Fall and winters were spent hunting, snowmobiling and ice fishing.

Arlen graduated from Hart High School in 1967, Muskegon Community College in 1969, and Ferris State University in 1971 with a Bachelor of Science Degree, Business Administration. Arlen served in the United States Army National Guard from 1971-1977. He was also a 1984 graduate of the Herbert W. Prochnow Graduate School of Banking in Madison, WI and in 1989 completed an ABA at the National Commercial Lending School, University of Oklahoma. While still in high school, Arlen's first job was a "bag boy" at Hansen Foods in Hart, Michigan. In 1972 Arlen took a job at Credit Thrift of America. Then in 1974 Arlen started working at State Savings Bank of Scottville, where he then retired in 2006 as the Executive Vice President, from what is now known as West Shore Bank. He went on to work for a few months at Great Lakes Ford. As not really ready to enjoy retired life, Arlen took a job at Shelby State Bank, Ludington Branch, as a Senior Vice President. Arlen retired from Shelby State Bank in 2014, but continued to work part time until 2018. After fully retiring, Arlen enjoyed spending time with his children and

grandchildren, especially the gatherings at Black Lake, growing his garden and fruit trees. He was probably most happy golfing with his best buddies Dan, Mike and Bruce; and also time spent golfing on his Monday night league at Lakeside Links.

Arlen served on numerous boards and committees through his life; he was Chairman of the Scottville Harvest Festival, Chairman of the Scottville Downtown Development, on the Board of Ludington Downtown Development, Hospice of Mason County, was a member of the Scottville Optimist Club, and the Scottville-Ludington Chamber of Commerce.

Arlen will be lovingly remembered by his wife Marcie of 46 years; his four children Ross (Kendra) McCloskey of Muskegon, Stacey (Tobias) Scouten of Shelby, Trent (Shayna) McCloskey of Rockford, and Riley McCloskey of Scottville. He will also be greatly missed by his nine grandchildren, Logan and Gabrielle McCloskey, Jonah, Isabelle, Isaiah, and Isaac Scouten, Teagan, Lexi and Max McCloskey; along with several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Arlen was preceded in death by his parents Orville and Margrete McCloskey, his brother Russell McCloskey, sister Delores Sadenwater, infant sister Sonya McCloskey, father and mother-in-law James and Alice Schwass, brothers-in-law Charles Sadenwater and Tony DeVecht.

A Celebration of Life will be held for Arlen at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday July 1 at the Ludington Area St. Paul Church, 3212 W. Kinney Rd. with Pastor Joseph Beavan officiating. A private family burial will take place at Center Riverton Cemetery. Friends may meet with the family for a time of visitation on Monday evening June 30 from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. at Wyman Funeral & Cremation Services-Stephens Funeral Home in Scottville, and on Tuesday morning from 10:00 a.m. until time of services at the church. Those who wish to remember Arlen with a memorial donation are asked to consider Mason County Central

Schools Educational Foundation - General Scholarship Fund, or Ludington
Area St. Paul Church.

Cemetery Details

Center Riverton Cemetery

2200 West Hawley Road
Ludington, MI 49431

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 30. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Wyman Funeral & Cremation Services - Stephens Funeral Home
305 E. State St.
Scottville, MI 49454
(231) 757-3333
wyman-stephens@sbcglobal.net
<https://www.wymanfuneralservice.com>

Visitation

JUL 1. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Ludington Area St. Paul Church
3212 West Kinney Road
Ludington, MI 49431

Celebration of Life Service

JUL 1. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Wyman Funeral & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Arlen Thomas McCloskey



Wyman Funeral & Cremation Services - June 26, 2025 at 07:32 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Arlen Thomas McCloskey.



June 30, 2025 at 12:42 PM



“ We are sorry for your Loss of Arlen, he was a Great guy, we had alot of good times with him. RIP Arlen!

Bill & Deb Kamenar - June 30, 2025 at 09:24 AM



“ Written in the Stars was purchased for the family of Arlen Thomas McCloskey.



June 29, 2025 at 07:01 PM



“ 43 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Wyman Funeral & Cremation Services - June 26, 2025 at 07:13 PM



“ *The Gerald Graham sons and wives purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Arlen Thomas McCloskey.*



The Gerald Graham sons and wives - June 26, 2025 at 12:08 PM



“ *Arlen was one of those involved when State Savings Bank of Scottville helped sponsor broadcasts of local football and boys & girls basketball games over WKLA FM. He was a credit to the community.*



TERRY S. WILLIAMS - June 26, 2025 at 12:42 AM

MM

“ I had the honor of working with Arlen at the Shelby State Bank and fondly remember spending time with him in Ludington. He was a consummate professional. He had a great sense of humor and was devoted to his family and community. I appreciated his directness, humor and common sense. He will be missed. We send our condolences to Marcie. May he rest in peace with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Margaret Massari - June 24, 2025 at 09:30 AM

PO

I'm a former federal bank examiner and can honestly say bankers like Arlen made my job easy. Trustworthy, honest, and financial astute, Arlen made many great loans that served our community well. I will greatly miss Arlen, and his wonderful personality. Pete Oquist, FDIC/Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago .

Pete Oquist - June 24, 2025 at 06:54 PM

JT

So sorry! I went to Hart High School and Arlen and I graduated together. He was such a nice guy and was well liked by all. My thoughts and prayers go out to the entire family at this very difficult time. In recent years, I enjoyed seeing him at the class reunion committee meetings. He will be missed.

Janice Stover Thompson
Terry Thompson

janice Stover Thompson - June 26, 2025 at 08:05 PM

BP

Arlen will forever be known as a HONEST Banker. My Dad always spoke of him in the highest regards. He always treated me with respect too when I would tag along for those meetings. RIP Arlen

Bradley Pinkerton - July 01, 2025 at 01:27 AM

SE

“ Arlen and I became friends last summer when I became his neighbor at Black Lake. We just hit it off right from the start and whenever he was visiting the lake he'd come "check on me" to make sure I was "doing okay!" I will miss him. I appreciated his nod of approval a great deal. Rest in peace Arlen and sincere condolences to his family.

Stacia Erickson - June 23, 2025 at 10:09 PM

DS

“ Arlen, Nancy Sorensen and my husband JonL Saxton were a force to be reckoned with at State Savings Bank/West Shore Bank. We had a lot of fun in those years, shared some laughs, some tears but in general some good times. And Arlene (and Marcie) were a mainstay in our Christmas and Thanksgiving dinners with the Schwass family, and a big part of our kids' memories of those times.
Debby Saxton

Debby Saxton - June 23, 2025 at 04:01 PM

BP

Well said Debby. You know my Dad loved sharing Clown Band time with Jon L. and Arlen and Jon were truly great businessman and people all in one. You don't see that enough any longer. Miss those SSB yardsticks too. Dad had one heckuva collection of those in his day. :)

Bradley Pinkerton - July 01, 2025 at 01:29 AM

JC

“ I was lucky enough to work for Arlen at SSBoFS and WSB and with him at SSB. Arlen was a great boss. He always treated me right, backed me up and gave me opportunities to grow. I will always remember our meetings and various golf outings over the years. Arlen was a good banker, a good boss and a great asset to the Mason-Oceana-Manistee County communities. He will be missed. God Bless and prayers for his family. John Carlson - Pentwater, MI.

John Carlson - June 23, 2025 at 03:08 PM