



## Robert C. Campbell DDS

November 20, 1932 - March 26, 2024

Robert C. “Doc” Campbell DDS, age 91, longtime resident of Scottville passed away on Tuesday, March 26, 2024. Doc was born on November 20, 1932 in Jackson, MI the son of Harlan and Katherine (McDowell) Campbell and graduated from Leslie High School with the class of 1950. With his father being a dentist, Doc followed in his footsteps by first earning his Bachelor’s Degree in Biology from Alma College in 1955, then earning his Doctorate of Dentistry from the University of Michigan in 1958. Doc was very athletic and participated in multiple sports in high school, but excelled in football where he played one year for Michigan as an offensive lineman. Following his graduation from U of M, Doc served as a Dentist with the United States Navy stationed at Great Lakes Naval Base. Always wanting to be near water, Doc moved to Scottville in 1960 and took over the Dental practice of Dr. Holmes upstairs in the old Scottville Bank building. Later, he moved to Thomas Street and shared a building with Dr. Bacon. After Dr. Bacon retired, Dr. Campbell moved his practice back to the old Scottville Savings Bank building on the corner of State and Main streets where he continued to serve the Scottville community for over 47 years, retiring in 2007.

In his career Dr. Campbell was very active civically, professionally, and in his personal life. He served on the Delta Dental Advisory Board and served multiple positions with state and local dentistry organizations; was a Life member of the Scottville Optimist Club serving as President of the club in

1970-71, and was a fixture in the Popcorn Wagon during the summer months at concerts in the Band Shell. He was a member of the West Michigan Old Engine Club, the Ludington Yacht Club, Ludington Boat Club, and was an active supporter of many charitable organizations around the county, including 4-H where Doc proudly participated in the animal auction at the West Michigan Fair for over 25 years. In 1980, Dr. Campbell served on a Mission Trip thru the International Methodist Church in Haiti, where he performed dental care to Haitians off a front porch in villages throughout the country.

Doc had a passion for being on the water and carried a sailing license for over 50 years. He participated in Chicago to Mackinaw and Chicago to Port Huron races for many years; built boats with Bob Bloomer and helped start the Bloomer Cup races; and participated in many Penguin races. Doc built wooden canoes, kayaks and paddle boards, and enjoyed sailing on his 32 foot Pandora sailboat. He sailed, kayaked, and canoed all over the world including the Virgin Islands, Alaska, the Yukon Territory, Northwest Territory, and throughout Canada which helped him utilize his other hobby of photography! Doc also helped Jim Howe from time to time raising Scottish Cows and Chickens. To say "grass never grew under his feet" would be an understatement.

Along with his parents Dr. Harlan and Katherine Campbell, Doc was also preceded in death by his brother Bruce Campbell.

Doc will be greatly missed by his daughter Sheryl and Brian Lundquist of Ludington; his son Robert "Bruce" Campbell and wife Jordan of Denver, CO; his grandchildren Tyler Danielle Lundquist, Trent (Liza) Lundquist, Theo Campbell, and Andre Campbell; his great-grandchildren Logan Laurant, and Beckett Walker Lundquist; his brothers John (Patty) Campbell of Mason, and Andrew Campbell of Montour Falls, NY; along with many great friends made throughout his lifetime.

A gathering to celebrate Doc's life will be held later this spring at the Ludington Boat Club, with date and time to be announced. Those who wish to remember Doc with a memorial donation are asked to please consider the Grand Traverse Regional Land Conservancy, [www.gtrlc.org](http://www.gtrlc.org).

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Condolences, especially to Sheryl & Brian Lundquist.*



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**TERRY S. WILLIAMS** - April 15, 2024 at 11:23 AM

BB

“ *I got to know Doc pretty well from his coming to the Wellness Center at the college. I used to buy eggs from him and also got pheasants to release on our property. He was an upstanding guy who will surely be missed.*

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**Barbara Beckstrom** - April 05, 2024 at 06:36 PM

DM

“ *Doc enrolled in a couple of my photography classes at WSCC in the late 70's. He was a natural talent, intelligent and full of curiosity, with a drive to learn everything he could about photo composition and nature photography. He often brought his impressive photos to class to share with the other students. I always looked forward to our after class conversations, and enjoyed his quiet and humble manner. Whenever I would bump into Doc over the years, he greeted me like we were just continuing an interrupted conversation. We weren't close friends, but he was always so respectful and friendly. I truly enjoyed knowing him. Rest in peace, Doc.*

*Dave Masten  
Walhalla*

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**Dave Masten** - April 02, 2024 at 10:45 PM

KC

“ *Doc was a great dentist, mentor and friend.  
Proud to have worked for him many years.  
Condolences to the family. He will be missed.*



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**Kerrie Cooper** - April 02, 2024 at 10:04 PM

MK

“ *Dr, Campbell was my dentist. n a very good caring man!! You will be missed!!*

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**Martha Kase** - March 30, 2024 at 09:09 PM