



## Roger A. VanDoren

February 5, 1927 - February 4, 2017

At the age of 89, passed away on Saturday, February 4, 2017 at home surrounded by his family. Roger was born on February 5, 1927 in Ann Arbor, Michigan the son of Raymond W. VanDoren and Josephine I. Campbell. On August 7, 1948 in Milan, MI he married Dorothy Curd who survives him. Roger served in the Marines from 1944 to 1947 seeing combat action in the battle of Okinawa. At the conclusion of the war, he served in the military police in Japan until the end of his tour. He was proud to serve his country and proud to serve in the Marine Corp "Semper Fi". Roger worked for Detroit Edison as a line clearance investigator for 38 years until his retirement. He was a lifetime member of the Newberry American Legion Post #74. Roger is survived by his wife of 68 years, Dorothy, and 4 of their children Raymond (Ruth) VanDoren of Manchester, Richard (Diane) VanDoren of Brooklyn, Jeffrey (Geraldine) VanDoren of Dexter, and Shanna Wykes of Saline; along with his grandchildren Jennifer (Luis) Duma, Roger VanDoren, Kason VanDoren, Stacey Wykes, Kyle Wykes and Dillon Wykes; great-grandchildren Ian Duma and Veida VanDoren and great-great grandchild Roman Duma. He is also survived by his sister Sandra VanDoren-Allred and daughter-in-law Julie VanDoren of Nevada. Roger was preceded in death by his son Donald K. VanDoren, son-in-law John M. Wykes, and brother-in-law Morris Allred, along with his parents Raymond and Ellen VanDoren. A memorial service will take place on Saturday, March 25, 2017 at 11:00 AM at the Saline American Legion Post #322, 320 W. Michigan Ave., Saline, MI 48176. Family will

receive friends from 10:00 AM until the time of service. There will be a luncheon to follow the service. Military Honors will take place under the auspices of the Washtenaw County Veterans Honor Guard. Burial will take place in Oakwood Cemetery in Saline at a later date. Donations in Roger's name may be made to the Saline American Legion Post #322 or to the Newberry American Legion Post #74 and envelopes will be available at the service. Arrangements entrusted to the Robison-Bahnmler Funeral Home, 301 E. Michigan Ave., Saline, MI 48176. To sign Roger's guestbook, to leave a memory, or for more information or directions please visit [www.rbfhsaline.com](http://www.rbfhsaline.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Oakwood Cemetery

227 West Michigan Ave  
Saline, MI 48176

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 25. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Saline American Legion  
320 West Michigan Ave.  
Saline, MI 48176  
<http://www.salinelegion.org/>

## Memorial Service

MAR 25. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Roger A. VanDoren*

October 23, 2023 at 01:07 PM



“ *Dorothy: Sorry to hear about the passing of Roger. My thoughts are with you and your family.*

**Keith Camburn** - February 13, 2017 at 07:13 AM



“ *With heavy hearts we say farewell dad, whose time with us is no more. To sum a lifetime in a few sentences seems an inadequate gesture, so we'll look for you when we reach the clearing at the end of the path that you stand in now. From all the loved ones that will miss you dearly, but will continue on with you bright in their hearts and memories.*

*Semper Fi Marine!*

*Jeff, Gerri & Kason*

**jeff van doren** - February 12, 2017 at 08:03 PM



“ *So sorry to read about Roger's passing. Such a nice man and will be missed. His service to our country is greatly appreciated. Deepest sympathy to his family Sincerely, Roger and Ruth Lockwood*

**Ruth Lockwood** - February 12, 2017 at 06:57 PM

MG

“ I was saddened to read of Mr. VanDoren's recent passing. There are many memories of your family from long ago, including your visit to Heart Lake and finding the driftwood shaped like a duck. It sat on the mantle for many years.

May you find the strength to bear your grief in the difficult days to come.

*In Sympathy,  
Marilyn Niethammer Glaze*

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**Marilyn Glaze** - February 06, 2017 at 09:27 PM

PF

Jeff and Shanna, so very sorry for the loss of your Dad. I hold so many fond memories of neighborhood fun when you lived behind us in Saline. Your Mom and Dad would always laugh and put up with all our shenanigans. Sending loving sympathy and hugs your way, Patti Scherdt Fosdick

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**Patti Scherdt Fosdick** - February 13, 2017 at 06:43 AM

CB

I am so sorry for your loss. My sympathy to the family along with hugs and prayers. Carrie Burzan

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**Carrie Burzan** - February 16, 2017 at 06:24 AM