



## John A. Buchanan Jr.

January 16, 1938 - November 10, 2016

John A. "Al" Buchanan, Jr. 78, of Bonita Springs, FL died unexpectedly on Thursday, November 10, 2016. Al was born January 16, 1938 in Detroit, MI a son of the late John A. and Marjorie (née Grace) Buchanan, Sr.. A former longtime resident of Grosse Pointe Park, MI, he had been a resident of Bonita Springs since 2003 coming from St. Clair Shores, MI

Al spent his entire career with the Ford Motor Company retiring in 1995 after 33 years as the Business Planning Manager of the Power Train Operation.

He was a Parishioner at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church in Naples, FL and a member of the Grosse Point Power Squadron, the Detroit Athletic Club and the Palmira Golf Club in Bonita Springs.

He is survived by his loving wife, Judith L Buchanan of Bonita Springs, FL; two brothers, David E. Buchanan and his wife, Miriam of Greensboro, GA and William J. Buchanan and his wife, Elaine of Oakland, CA; one sister, Mary Buchanan Scheible and her husband, Don of Royal Oak, MI; six niece and nephews, Anne Parrish, Jennifer Feeney, Edward Buchanan, Tim Buchanan, Eric Scheible and Kate Scheible and 13 great nieces and nephews.

A Memorial Mass to celebrate his life will be held Tuesday, November 15, 2016 at 11:00 AM at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church 625 111th Ave.

No., Naples, FL with Fr. Robert Murphy, officiating. Inurnment will follow in St. John's Memorial Garden.

The family suggests that memorial contributions in lieu of flowers be made to Loyola High School 15325 Pinehurst St., Detroit, MI 48238 or to the Capital Campaign at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church 625 111th Ave. No., Naples, FL 34108.

Arrangements by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home.

# Cemetery Details

## St. John the Evangelist Memorial Garden

625 111th Ave. No.  
Naples, FL 34108

# Previous Events

## Memorial Mass

NOV 15. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church  
625 111th Avenue North  
Naples, FL 34108

# Tribute Wall



“ *John A. Buchanan Jr.*

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October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ *Hi Judy, A name out of the past. Was sorry to hear Al had passed. Many good memories during our Ford Steel Mill days together in the Controller's office. Many long days during "BUDGET" season each year and many Friday's at Zubocks Bar for no meat Fridays. All the best. Judy and Chuck Mathews*

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**Chuck Mathews** - November 22, 2016 at 11:04 AM

RM

“ Hi Judy,

*Al and I worked together in the Casting and Forging Operations. Al was a gentleman and great teacher to me, an engineer, on how to engage my Ford colleagues professionally rather than poking them in the eye. You might say that he taught me business etiquette. Al also helped me write a paper for the Board of Directors requesting funding to build a forging plant. The project, which initially was given a 0% chance of being approved by our controller, was approved by Mr. Peterson and Mr. Trotman. The plant was completed in 1995 and it is still running in Woodhaven, MI...it is the only operation of our Casting and Forging Operations Division that still exists.*

*I was so sad to hear the news just yesterday of Al's sudden passing. I am of the Orthodox Faith, and I lit a candle for Al today at my Church in Detroit. You have my deepest sympathy, and may God comfort you, and may you feel His loving presence in this time of the loss of your husband. May your memories of your time together be eternal!*

*Robert Mrdjenovich  
Brighton, MI  
November 20th*

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**Robert Mrdjenovich** - November 20, 2016 at 02:24 PM

DM

“ Judy,

*Our deepest thoughts are with you through this road ahead. Al will be greatly miss by all  
Dawne and Jerry McKinney*

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**Dawne and Jerry McKinney** - November 14, 2016 at 03:04 PM

VI

“ *Dear Judy,*

*We would like to send our deepest condolences to you on your loss.  
We will keep Al in our prayers.*

*Vincent & Elizabeth Weiss*

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**Vincent** - November 13, 2016 at 07:15 PM

EB

“ *Uncle Al, "The Kiddie's Pal!" We will miss him so much. For driving us cousins, his nieces and nephews, snot-nosed and sweaty to Hazel's for ice cream on warm summer nights, in the latest and greatest luxury Lincoln he had at the time. Always taking care of everyone.*

*Bear hugs and kisses to you, Aunt Judy, we so wish we could be there with you. With LOVE, Ed, Bethany, Ian, Devon and Cal!*

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**Edward Buchanan** - November 13, 2016 at 10:24 AM



“ *A sympathy card was purchased for the family of John A. Buchanan Jr..*



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November 13, 2016 at 09:28 AM

TM

“ Dear Judy,  
We are so very sorry for your loss. Al was such a sweet and kind man. I remember the first time we met was at the Renaissance Pool and Al joined us in playing volleyball. It was such a fun time. He will be greatly missed by everyone! Please know that we are keeping you in our thoughts and prayers and may God Bless his soul and may God Bless you.  
Very sincerely yours,  
Tammy & Gary Mona

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**Tammy Mona** - November 13, 2016 at 08:18 AM

JN

“ Al was very quality personality. He would always greet you and if he didn't know you he would introduce himself and welcome you to Palmira. His gentlemen qualities will truly be missed. Jim & Marge Nardell

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**Jim & Marge Nardell** - November 13, 2016 at 12:50 AM

TA

“ Thomas A. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of John A. Buchanan Jr..



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**Thomas A.** - November 12, 2016 at 02:03 PM