



## Arthur Donald Seaman

September 1, 1940 - May 13, 2022

On May 13, 2022 Art was lifted by the Angels into the arms of God the Father. His immediate family and special friends were by his side.

Art was born to Donald A. Seaman and Jeannette (Steenhoven) Seaman in Fremont, Michigan on September 1, 1940. He graduated from Grant High School in 1959 and later attained his Associate Degree in Law Enforcement from Kirtland Community College.

Art entered the State Police in 1967. He served his first post in Flint and was transferred to Cadillac where he began a long career in January, 1970. On May 30, 1970 he married Kathryn J. Budzinski, his “Polish Princess,” and they enjoyed 52 years together, became parents to their daughter, Kelly Lynn, and grandparents to Olivia and Braden Rice.

Art had a long and storied history of being the “Master Hunter” and he was able to take several hunts to Alaska and Canada and most recently several hunts at the ranch in Kansas where he became a part of the ranch family. He also spent a lot of time in his home gym and had numerous awards for bench pressing.

Art grew up on a farm and was a farmer at heart and he found his peace on a day on his John Deere tractor, planting and maintaining the land that he loved,

his Heaven on Earth.

Art is survived by his wife Kathy, his daughter Kelly Lynn (Kelly M.) Rice, grandchildren Olivia P. Rice (Alex Rosensteel) and Braden M. Rice, sisters and brothers in-law, numerous nieces and nephews and so many special friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his brother Frank R. Seaman, his father and mother in-law, Donald and Jane Budzinski.

The Mass of Christian Burial will be held 11:00 AM Friday, May 20, 2022 at Saint Ann Catholic Church in Cadillac with Reverend Fr. Michael Janowski as celebrant. Friends may meet the family Thursday from 5:00 to 8:00 PM at Peterson Funeral and Cremation Services in Cadillac. His final resting place will be Mount Carmel Cemetery in Cadillac.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Leukemia and Lymphoma Society or American Lung Association. An online guestbook is available at [www.petersonfh.com](http://www.petersonfh.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Mount Carmel Cemetery

Cadillac, MI 49601

# Previous Events

## Funeral

MAY **19**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Peterson Funeral Home  
205 E. Cass St.  
Cadillac, MI 49601  
(231) 775-3411  
info@petersonfh.com  
<http://www.petersonfh.com>

## Mass of Christian Burial

MAY **20**. 11:00 AM.

Saint Ann Catholic Church

# Tribute Wall

PK

“ Art and I shared some similarities, Both of us were born in Fremont, MI. He played football for Grant while I played for White Cloud just a few miles up the road. Grant had some strong athletic teams during that time and it seems White Cloud would be on the losing end of a particular contest. I had the pleasure of having breakfast with Art about a year ago at the Waterfront Restaurant. It was good seeing him. I will miss the opportunity to dine with him again. A fun guy with a great sense of humor.  
*Pete Komblevitz (MSP retired)*

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**Peter Komblevitz** - May 19, 2022 at 10:06 PM

CV

“ Christine Vacha lit a candle in memory of Arthur Donald Seaman



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**Christine Vacha** - May 19, 2022 at 08:41 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Arthur Donald Seaman.



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May 18, 2022 at 11:14 AM

GL

“ I met Art as a new trooper in Flint. I was fresh off probation and he was just beginning. We bonded immediately as we seemed to have so much in common. Even decisions that had to be made regarding the job were agreed upon and apparently were the right ones as neither of us got chewed out about them. Corporal Charlie Spurlin said we were like two peas in a pod (don't know if that was good or bad). I was transferred to Traverse City and he to Cadillac but we never lost contact although mostly by telephone. We had long conversations about our love of hunting and weight lifting. Art could always bench press more than I but I told him that was because I was a lot older than he. (One year) He was one of the most likable persons I have ever met and he will be missed. God willing, we will meet on the other side.

Garry Lancewicz (retired)

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Garry Lancewicz - May 17, 2022 at 10:30 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Arthur Donald Seaman.



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May 17, 2022 at 10:01 AM

JP

“ Seaman Family,

*Saddened to hear of Art's passing. He was legendary in the MSP, as the strongest Trooper in the 7th District. As strong as he was, he was true gentleman. He was simply a leader, a mentor to the "cubs" at the Post. And a friend to so many in the Cadillac Post area.*

*He will be missed by many. Gods speed Trooper Seaman.*

*Captain Jimmy Patrick, Ret.  
MSP/CID*

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**Jimmy Patrick** - May 17, 2022 at 09:06 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Arthur Donald Seaman.



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May 17, 2022 at 07:39 AM

JM

“ I got to know Art when I worked at the restaurant in Falmouth and later I would see him with Don Meekhof. He would always call me farm girl as he knew we had a farm. I enjoyed seeing him and talking to him. He was a good man. My prayers are with the family as he will be missed.

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**Janet Molhoek** - May 17, 2022 at 07:27 AM

BH

“ I can't believe that you are gone my friend. As strong as you were I thought that you would outlast us all. Although we only worked together for five years you made me feel like we had been friends our whole life. We shared so many stories and laughs I often forgot we were working. I always looked forward to those early Sunday morning shifts when you would go pick up a dozen donuts and bring them back to the post to share with your hungry desk sergeant. You always ate nine and I got three no matter who bought. I hope there is a donut shop in heaven! If you come across Herbie while you are there tell him I said I'm sorry for all of the Herbie jokes. Rest in peace Art.

Your old buddy,  
Bill Hanger

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**Bill Hanger** - May 16, 2022 at 07:34 PM