



Alvin "Pretzel" Sobania

August 31, 1943 - March 3, 2023

Alvin "Pretzel" Sobania, 79 year old resident of Flensburg, MN, passed away Friday, March 3, 2023, at the St. Cloud Hospital. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Saturday, March 11, 2023 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Flensburg, MN with Father Jimmy Joseph officiating. Burial will take place in the Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery north of Little Falls, MN on Monday, March 13, 2023 at 2:00 P.M. A visitation will be held from 4-7 P.M. on Friday and from 10-11 A.M. on Saturday all at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Flensburg, MN. Military rites will be performed by the Flensburg American Legion Post 136. Caring for Pretzel and his family is the Shelley Funeral Chapel of Little Falls.

Alvin was born on August 31, 1943 to the late Roman and Marion (Super) Sobania in St. Cloud, MN and grew up in Opole, MN. He moved to Flensburg, MN with his family when he was two years old. Alvin grew up on the family farm with one brother and three sisters. He graduated from Little Falls High School in 1963. Shortly after that, he joined the U.S. Army where he spent time in Missouri and then on to Hawaii for six months. Alvin served a year as a Reconnaissance Scout in Vietnam until he was honorably discharged in January of 1971. He was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Volunteer Fire Department, Flensburg American Legion Post #136, Randall VFW Post 9073 and Morrison County Disabled American Veterans Chapter 12. A short time later, Alvin met his bride-to-be Patricia Poser and the couple

was united in marriage on May 30, 1969 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Little Falls, MN. After their marriage, the couple lived in Minneapolis, MN for eight years before moving back to his family farm in Flensburg. Alvin loved his chickens, ducks, geese, turkeys and his beef cattle. He enjoyed fishing, gardening (especially his Holly Hocks), picking mushrooms and watching Minnesota Sports on TV.

Alvin will be greatly missed by his wife Patricia Sobania of Flensburg, MN; daughters, Pamela (Thomas) Voigt of Clear Lake, MN and Debra (Samuel) Seifert of Becker, MN; grandchildren, Nathan, Heidi, Claire and Travis Voigt and Roman, Evelyn and Elijah Seifert; brother, David (Valerie) Sobania of Swanville, MN sisters, Elizabeth (Marcel) Frank of Becker, MN and Louise (Michael) Frank of Flensburg, MN.

He was preceded in death by parents, Roman and Marion Sobania and sister and brother-in-law, Joan and Lawrence O'Hotto.

Cemetery Details

Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery

15550 Highway 115
Little Falls, MN

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 10. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Sacred Heart Catholic Church - Flensburg
18 Pine Street
Flensburg, MN 56328

Visitation

MAR 11. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Sacred Heart Catholic Church - Flensburg
18 Pine Street
Flensburg, MN 56328

Funeral Mass

MAR 11. 11:00 AM (CT)

Sacred Heart Catholic Church - Flensburg
18 Pine Street
Flensburg, MN 56328

Committal Service

MAR 13. 2:00 PM (CT)

Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery
15550 MN-115
Little Falls, MN 56345
(320) 616-2527

Tribute Wall



“ *Lemieur Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Alvin "Pretzel" Sobania*



Lemieur Funeral Homes - March 08, 2023 at 11:02 AM

RB

“ *Robert & Vonna Boser lit a candle in memory of Alvin "Pretzel" Sobania*



Robert & Vonna Boser - March 14, 2023 at 09:24 PM

RO

Patti so sorry for your loss

Robert - March 14, 2023 at 09:28 PM

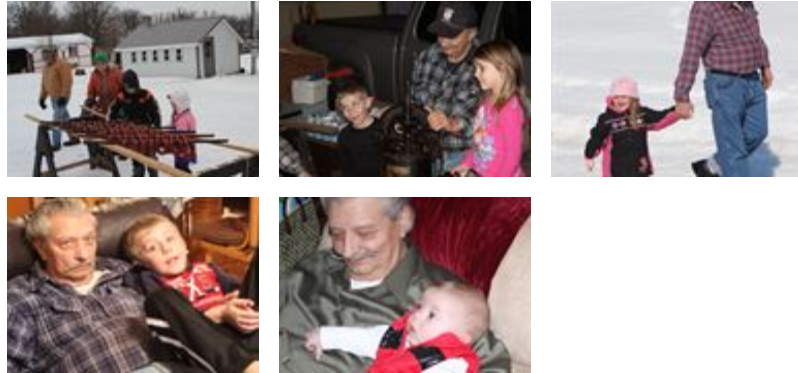
DB

“ *i was post master in flensburg mr. sobania an don lapos use come everyday get there mail, they were amazing guys both of them, the salt of the earth, i thought the world of both of them.*

dana bellefeuille - March 13, 2023 at 08:08 PM



“ 17 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Lemieur Funeral Homes - March 09, 2023 at 10:18 AM



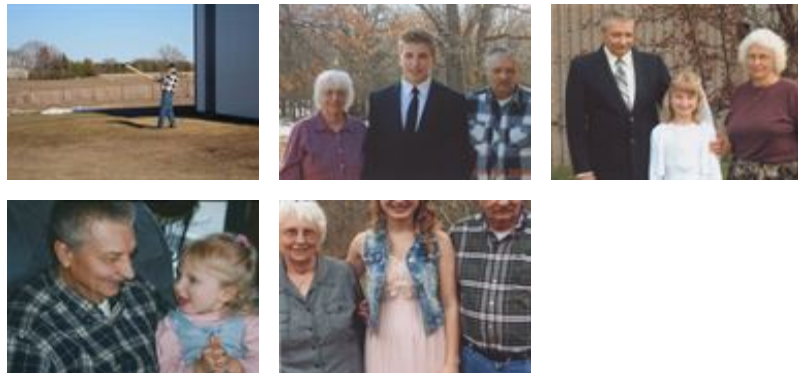
“ *Al & Bernie Poser Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Alvin "Pretzel" Sobania.*



Al & Bernie Poser Family - March 08, 2023 at 11:56 AM



“ 41 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Lemieur Funeral Homes - March 08, 2023 at 11:00 AM

BK

“ Alvin was a classmate of mine and we hung around back then years ago. I always still chatted with him when I saw him on occasions these days yet . My condolences to all his family.

Bob Koetter - March 08, 2023 at 10:52 AM

CN

“ Carol Nelson sent a virtual gift in memory of Alvin "Pretzel" Sobania



carol nelson - March 08, 2023 at 09:11 AM

DJ

“ Louise and Michael so sorry to read that you lost your brother. May he rest in peace. God bless you all.



debbie jelinski-harakel - March 08, 2023 at 01:56 AM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Alvin "Pretzel" Sobania.



March 07, 2023 at 05:16 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Alvin "Pretzel" Sobania.



March 07, 2023 at 05:10 PM



“ Jerry And Julie Hollermann sent a virtual gift in memory of Alvin "Pretzel" Sobania



Jerry and Julie Hollermann - March 07, 2023 at 04:02 PM



“ Godfather was always someone I looked up to. I swear he knew everything and anything about farming and gardening. I have so many memories with him, I don't know which to mention. I'll just say, he was funnier than hell and he lit up any room he walked into. I will miss your jokes and our spring talks about peeps and chickens. Love, Janet.



Janet Berg - March 07, 2023 at 03:29 PM



“ How many times I would hear, “Lou you got company” from the garage. Then, “Where's Mick?” Then, “Get me a pop” then the bullshit would start. We will miss him so much. RIP AL.



Louise and Mike Frank - March 07, 2023 at 11:56 AM

DF

“ Darrol & Jud Ficek lit a candle in memory of Alvin "Pretzel" Sobania



Darrol & Jud Ficek - March 07, 2023 at 10:14 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Alvin "Pretzel" Sobania.



March 06, 2023 at 07:26 PM

LI

“ Lisa lit a candle in memory of Alvin "Pretzel" Sobania



Lisa - March 06, 2023 at 06:55 PM

MJ

“ Very sorry. 🙏🙏🙏

Maryann jaszewski - March 06, 2023 at 06:28 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Alvin "Pretzel" Sobania.*



March 06, 2023 at 06:27 PM



“ *Prayers are sent to Pat and the entire family for healing.*



Ken and Kathy Kloss - March 06, 2023 at 04:35 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Alvin "Pretzel" Sobania.*



March 06, 2023 at 03:31 PM



“ *Ellen Lasch Roland lit a candle in memory of Alvin "Pretzel" Sobania*



ellen lasch roland - March 06, 2023 at 01:52 PM

ER

Cousins. So sorry to hear of the loss of Al. Prayers to the family 🙏🙏

ellen lasch roland - March 06, 2023 at 01:53 PM

LI

“ *Condolences to his family and friends.*

Lisa - March 06, 2023 at 01:23 PM

KL

“ *Karen Litke lit a candle in memory of Alvin
"Pretzel" Sobania*



Karen Litke - March 06, 2023 at 01:18 PM

RP

“ *Renalda Poser lit a candle in memory of Alvin
"Pretzel" Sobania*



Renalda Poser - March 06, 2023 at 12:43 PM

KM

“ *Our deepest sympathies to Patti and entire
Sobania family. He was so liked by so, so, so
many.*



Kenny and Carol Merten - March 06, 2023 at 11:30 AM

RS

“ *Richard Cathy Schwientek lit a candle in memory of Alvin "Pretzel" Sobania*



Richard cathy schwientek - March 05, 2023 at 06:14 PM

RS

For the sobania family

Richard cathy schwientek - March 05, 2023 at 06:18 PM

JG

“ *Patti, so sorry to hear this news. I always enjoyed visiting with you and Pretzel when you came into the VA. My condolences and prayers 🙏 to you and your family during this difficult time ❤️ 🙏*

Jean Gwost - March 05, 2023 at 12:54 PM

TS

“ *Patti, was saddened to hear of Al's passing. My prayers are with you and your family.*

Terri Sanoski - March 05, 2023 at 12:06 PM

SS

“ *Sandy And Kenny Schwientek lit a candle in memory of Alvin "Pretzel" Sobania*



Sandy and Kenny Schwientek - March 05, 2023 at 11:56 AM

LH

“ Liz Harris lit a candle in memory of Alvin
"Pretzel" Sobania



Liz Harris - March 05, 2023 at 08:40 AM

JC

“ Jeremy Czech lit a candle in memory of Alvin
"Pretzel" Sobania



Jeremy Czech - March 04, 2023 at 10:14 PM

MH

“ Mark And Cathy Hebig lit a candle in memory
of Alvin "Pretzel" Sobania



Mark and Cathy Hebig - March 04, 2023 at 03:52 PM

GC

“ Gregg & Leone Chirhart sent a virtual gift in
memory of Alvin "Pretzel" Sobania



Gregg & Leone Chirhart - March 04, 2023 at 12:40 PM