



## Marlin Elmer Gloor

April 16, 1919 - January 12, 2019

Marlin Elmer Gloor, 99, of Charlotte, died Saturday, January 12, 2019. He was just three months shy of his 100th birthday. Marlin was born April 15, 1919 on the family farm in Hamlet, IN to Freed and Edith (Herbst) Gloor. He graduated from LaPorte High School in 1937. Following graduation Marlin went on to proudly serve his country during WWII. He served as an airplane and engine mechanic and later as a pilot. Over his lifetime Marlin was a warrior; overcoming numerous very serious health scares from meningitis to cancer before advancement of medicine today. On October 25, 1944 Marlin married Nadine Parthun and together spent the next 67 years creating their legacy together before her passing in 2012. Growing up on a farm in Northern Indiana Marlin grew to love tractors. Following his service in WWII Marlin went to work at Allis Chalmers in parts, service, sales and management before leaving the company in 1976. Marlin later went on to purchase Williams Farm Machinery. He co-owned the business until the late 1980s. Following his retirement Marlin started to restore tractors. Marlin also enjoyed traveling all around the United States with his wife in their motorhome, fishing, hunting, and working on and flying his airplane with his children. Marlin's biggest passion in life was his family.

Marlin is survived by his loving family, sons, Edward (Charlotte) Gloor of Holland, PA, David (Michelle) Gloor of Charlotte, MI; 4 grandchildren; and 9 great-grandchildren. Marlin was predeceased by his wife Nadine; siblings,

Marcella Gloor, Marshall Gloor, and Emil Gloor; and his parents.

Friends are encouraged to support Marlin's family at visitation and funeral services. Funeral services are Wednesday, January 16, 2019, 2:00 p.m. at Pray Funeral Home in Charlotte with Pastor Michael Rysko officiating. Visitation will be held two hours prior to the service from 12 Noon until 2:00 p.m. If desired, the family suggests memorial contributions to The University of Michigan Rogel Cancer Center. Friends and family are encouraged to share memories of Marlin on his Tribute Page at [www.PrayFuneral.com](http://www.PrayFuneral.com). The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

# Cemetery Details

## Maple Hill Cemetery

801 Tully Brown Rd.  
Charlotte, MI 48813

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 16. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Pray Funeral Home  
401 W. Seminary St.  
Charlotte, MI 48813

## Funeral Ceremony

JAN 16. 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

JH

“ My aunt, Louisa Hayter Gordon, was a good friend of Marlin's and his wife and his Mom. My aunt died June 6, 2018. She and Marlin talked by phone regularly till my aunt went to a nursing home.

Jean Hayter  
jeanhayter@gmail.com

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**Jean Hayter** - November 24, 2019 at 07:29 PM

MP

“ So very sorry to see this. My mom in law Marcile Purkal was Neen's (spelling?) sister. I remember them coming to Marcile's house to visit & I know I went to their house in Charlotte once. I saw something on FaceBook about Allis Chalmers & it made me think of him. God Bless all of you

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**Mary Jo Purkal/Jordan** - March 02, 2019 at 02:23 AM

BF

“ Bryan and Pat want you to know that they have many special memories of their neighbors, Red and Nadine. Red was a kind and generous friend. We send our sympathy to Dave and Michelle and family for the loss of your dear father, father-in-law, and grandfather. Thoughts and prayers for all.

David and Brynda Filkins

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**Brynda Filkins** - January 16, 2019 at 08:09 PM

JD

“ May "GOD" give you comfort at this time of your loss, Red was a great man, All of us in the agriculture community enjoyed his story telling, He Had a Great sense of humor and great work ethic, And he was a gentle giant, always willing to help his fellow man, He Helped our Dairy Farm many times, Many of the farmers in the Charlotte area can tell the same stories of "Reds" generosity, and compassion to see the local farmers be successful, We Thank him for his help. We will miss him.

*Jim and Denise Droscha Family*

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**Jim Droscha** - January 14, 2019 at 11:23 PM

NV

“ We are so sorry to here of Reds passing. Red was beyond the best neighbor ever. I remember a time that we had no electricity and he let us hook into his house with a water hose for 4 days so we could have water. He was a wonderful man!

*The Vaughn family  
Nick, Nancy, Josh and Jenna*

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**Nancy Vaughn** - January 14, 2019 at 01:36 PM

BP

“ You very sorry to hear of reds passing. He was very special. I have alot of memories of red. Prayers and hugs to you all xo bonnie (ackerson) partridge

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**Bonnie partridge** - January 14, 2019 at 01:15 PM