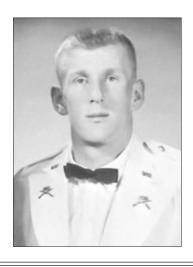


## Remembering our brothers who have passed from this life

## Aleksander Bergman, '61

Died June 27, 2018



Pvt., 1,2; Day Student; Football, 1,2; Basketball, 1; Baseball, 1,2; Track, 1,2.

When Alex talks, people listen. That's because he's not only big, he also has big ideas and a big personality. No one can meet Alex and not like him. He's open, friendly, and generous. A talented athlete, Alex carries his convictions with him wherever he goes, and his generosity stamps him as a real person. Fortunately, Alex is a leader of men — and he heads them in the right direction. This boy will end up with some do-re-mi!

Aleksander Bergman, 77, departed this life on June 27, 2018, at his home in Fort Defiance, VA. He was born to Andrejs and Eugenia Pechatkin Bergman on May 26, 1941, in Saldus, Latvia. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, Eugenia Bergman Shera and brother, J. Georg Bergman.

Alek is survived by his wife, Linda Helton Bergman of Ft. Defiance; son, Lewis Timothy Bergman and wife Amye Coffman Bergman of Glen Allen, VA; son, Andrew William Bergman of Charlottesville, VA; daughter, Julia Lynn Bergman of Staunton VA; daughter, Catherine Bergman Luck and husband Chad Luck of Staunton; five grandsons who were his pride and joy: Nicolas Timothy Bergman, William Ethan Bergman, Alexander Robinson Bergman, Samuel Helton Luck, Mason Alan Luck; Alek's twin sister, Elena Bergman Siddall of Port Haywood, VA, and 9 beloved nieces and nephews.

The Bergman family survived World War II in Europe and in 1949 were sponsored to the United States by Fletcher and Margaret Collins of Pennyroyal Farm.

After graduating from Wilson Memorial High School in 1959, he attended The College of William & Mary, earning his bachelor's degree in organic chemistry from ETSU in Johnson City TN. After a career in manufacturing he returned to the family farm in 1987, working at McQuay Corporation in Verona VA. His all time favorite job was substitute teaching at Fort Defiance High School. His bigger than life personality and generous loving spirit will be remembered by everyone who knew him.