

# Samuel DeBoer

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## **Samuel DeBoer**

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**S**amuel DeBoer, Age 89 of Lewes, DE, passed away on Sunday, October 8, 2017 at home. He was born on Nov 5, 1927 in Fair Lawn, New Jersey, son of the late Andrew and Alida DeBoer.

Mr. DeBoer was a 1950 graduate of the University of Delaware with a degree in Agriculture, having married Elizabeth "Betty" France in 1949 while juniors at the University. He was the farm manager of the St. Andrew School farm for four years, then moved to Lewes to become a commercial fisherman. In the late 1950s he found his lifelong work as a sales and technical representative in the welding and metallurgy industry. Retiring in 1992, he and Betty enjoyed the beach, family and friends in Lewes. They were very active members in the Lewes Yacht Club for 61 years. Sam and Betty wintered in Bradenton, FL.

In addition to his parents Mr. DeBoer was preceded in death by his wife of 67 years, Betty, who passed on December 23, 2016. He was also preceded in death by his sister, Helen Van Wyk. He is survived by his daughters: Debbie Kee and her husband Ed of Lincoln, DE, and Donna Nacchia and her husband Joseph of Wilmington, DE; his grandchildren Karey Kee Henderson, Jessica Kee McKenzie, Veronica and Samuel Nacchia; and his great grandchildren: Ivy and Aven Reed and Reilly, Michael and Casey McKenzie.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Friday, October 13, 2017 at 10:30 AM, at Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium, Atkins-Lodge Chapel, 16961 Kings Highway, Lewes, DE, where friends may visit beginning at 9:30 AM. A Private Entombment will be held at the Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery, 26669 Patriots Way, Millsboro, DE.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests contributions in Mr. DeBoer's memory to the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources Scholarship Funds, c/o Dr. Mark Reiger, Dean of the College, Townsend Hall, Newark, DE 19716.

Please sign the online guestbook located on this site.



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FLORIST NOTE: PLEASE DELIVER ALL FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS BY 3PM THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2017 TO OUR LEWES LOCATION.





# Events


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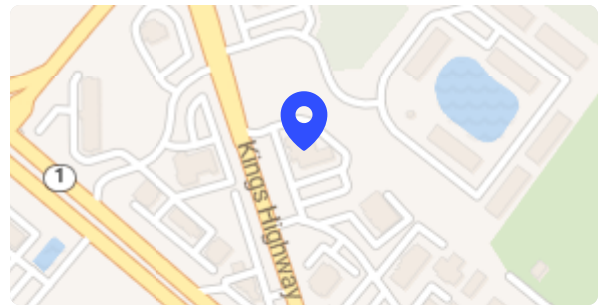
## Visitation

 **Friday**, October 13, 2017

 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM ET


 **Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium-Atkins-Lodge Chapel**

16961 Kings Highway, Lewes DE 19958



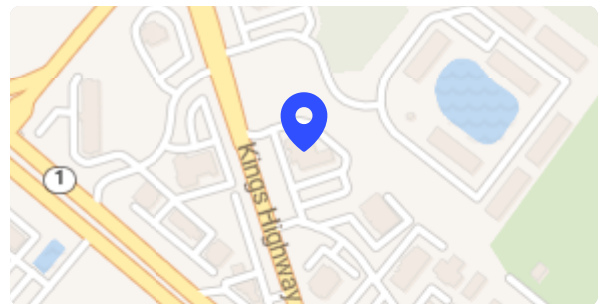
## Funeral Service

 **Friday**, October 13, 2017

 10:30 AM ET

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## Tribute Wall

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JS

**John & Ellen Sobieski** posted:

To the Family of Sam Deboer, We were golfing friends of Sam. We enjoyed goods time with Sam & Betty at Sussex Pines. Great People! You have our deepest sympathy. John & Ellen Sobieski

October 14 at 11:50 AM

PD

**Peggy Dillner** posted:

I was a friend of Betty's from Carrie Downie days and knew Sam through Betty. I always had lunch with Betty when our family was in Lewes for our beach week. The last time was July 2016 when it was obvious Betty's cognitive decline had begun. This past summer I told myself to give Sam a call to say hello - and put it off - and the week ended. The two of them were a wonderful couple who lived long, good lives. Their legacies live on through those whose lives they touched. My sympathy to your entire family. I will continue to think of Betty and Sam every time we pass the house on Bay.

October 11 at 8:40 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Country Basket Blooms to the DeBoer family.



October 11 at 7:03 AM

VA

**Valerie** posted:

Oh Debby and Donna so sad to hear this news, Sam was loved by everyone and we have such great memories of being with him in Schenectady, Boston, Wilmington, Lewes, Bradenton and even once in Chesterton. See you Friday, Valerie

October 10 at 5:10 AM

WT

**William Thomson** October 11 at 3:43 AM

Sam and I were fraternity brothers at UD in the 40-50's and stayed together pretty much until he moved to Lewes. Still, now and then had a reunion. A good man whom I always considered a brother. So sorry he is gone, along with Betty. RIP Sam. Bill Thomson



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Samuel by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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