



Paul Richard Edwards

October 6, 1933 - November 23, 2013

Paul Richard Edwards

Age 80, passed away Nov. 23, 2013 from injuries sustained during an accident at his home. Paul was born Oct. 6, 1933, about an eighth of a mile south of his farm where he spent 55 years, the seventh of ten children of the late Earl and Lila Edwards. Graduating from Grand Ledge H.S., Paul married his high school sweetheart, the late Carol Lawless in 1956. After Paul served in the Army, the couple started the Dairy Farm. They had 4 children. In 1970, Paul married Alice Harmon-Wright and they then merged their blended family. Paul wore many hats over the years: long time dairy farmer, 4-H leader and board member over 20 years, advocate for Oneida Township, serving as supervisor for 20 years, assessor for 28 years and Board of Review. Paul was a member of St. Michael Church and loved his large extended family along with his flower gardening and lawn care. Left to cherish his memory are his wife of 43 years, Alice; their children, Mike Edwards of Perry, Rochelle (Gary) Warner of Portland, Tamara (Russell) Barringer of Portland, Diane Edwards (friend Steve Botek) of Waverly, David (Connie) Edwards of Grand Ledge, Darcy (David) Carpenter of Grand Ledge, Angela Wright of Charlotte & Jennifer Edwards-Driver of Mulliken; 20 grandchildren; 13 great grandchildren; siblings, Marge Collins of Belleville, MI, Gerald (Fay) Edwards of Sunset, TX, Gayle Edwards of Natchez, MS, James (Audrey) Edwards of Templeton, CA. Preceding him in death are son, Thomas Edwards; grandson, Travis Edwards; siblings, Virginia Edwards, Leo Edwards, Joyce Lott, Josephine Edwards, and

Wilma Salvatore. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11:00A.M. on Wednesday, Nov. 27, 2013 by Rev. Fr. James Eisele at St. Michael Catholic Church, Grand Ledge. Interment will follow at Oakwood Cemetery. Visitation Tuesday, 2-4 & 6-8P.M. at Holihan-Atkin Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. Memorial contributions may be made to Eaton Community Palliative Care 2675 S. Cochran Road, Charlotte, Michigan 48813 or Eaton County 4-H Council, MSU Extension, 551 Courthouse Drive #1, Charlotte, Michigan 48813

Cemetery Details

Oakwood Cemetery

299 Halbert Street
Grand Ledge, MI 48837

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **26**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home & Cremation Services
406 N. Bridge Street
Grand Ledge, MI 48837
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Visitation

NOV **26**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Service

NOV **27**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Saint Michael Catholic Church
345 Edwards Street
Grand Ledge, MI 48837

Tribute Wall

MB

“ Alice and family, I'm so sorry for your loss, and i will be praying for you to have peace and comfort in the days ahead. Cousin Paul came to live with us about the time he started high school - I believe Aunt Lila and Uncle Earl moved into town then and he liked country living. About that same time my dad was diagnosed with rheumatoid arthritis - so Paul dove right into the work on the farm and was with us until he went into the army. He was many things - funny, hard-working, driven, stubborn. Being ten years younger than he, i respected him! No doubt he loved his family more than life itself - may good memories carry all of you through. Mary Burman Benson

Mary Benson - November 27, 2013 at 03:40 AM

HD

“ Alice, just wanted to let you know that I will be out of town the next few days so will not see you but I will be praying for you and the family. Life does go on through your family , friends,and the love of your Lord. You have a great family to back you and lots of good memories. Best regards Harlan Mac Dowell, may peace be with you.

Harlan Mac Dowell - November 26, 2013 at 09:19 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Paul Richard Edwards.



November 26, 2013 at 07:26 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Paul Richard Edwards.*

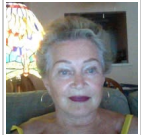


November 25, 2013 at 07:41 PM



“ *Dave and Connie, I am so sorry for the losses of your father and brother. Paul was such a great man , he always had so much patience to help young home owners understand everything you need to.He always had time and a smile. I will keep you and your family in my prayers. Hold your memories close in your heart.*
Andrea (Brooks)Emmons

Andrea Emmons - November 25, 2013 at 07:16 PM



“ *WE WOULD LIKE TO EXTEND OUR HEARTFELT SYMPATHY TO THE ENTIRE FAMILY REGARDING PAUL'S PASSING.*



*SINCERELY.....VERLAND WARD AND WIFE,
JOANNA.*

Joanna Harrington - November 25, 2013 at 03:53 PM

SA

“ We here in Virginia are so saddened by the sudden loss of dear Uncle Paul. A kind and sensitive soul, he was good man who has left a beautiful legacy of loved ones to mourn his passing. Our love and thoughts are with you all during such a sad time.

Susan Armstrong

susan armstrong - November 25, 2013 at 12:32 PM

AW

“ You were the best grandpa ever! ill miss you every day! I love you



Alice Wright - November 25, 2013 at 11:34 AM

 Cindi Salvatore

“ My dear Uncle Paul is truly missed. He was a kind and stubborn and wonderful and generous man, and I am honored to have known and loved him. Love and prayers to Aunt Alice and the large, beautiful family Paul leaves behind.

Cindi Salvatore - November 25, 2013 at 11:23 AM

 Rosie Harmon Schwartz

“ Just saw you and cousin Alice up at Mom's (Lillian Harmon Knutsen) siting on the swing talking about old times. You will be greatly missed.
May God go with your family at this time.

Rosie Harmon Schwartz

Rosie Harmon Schwartz - November 25, 2013 at 10:28 AM

KH

“ I consider myself to be very fortunate to have had Uncle Paul come into my life and be part of my extended family. I loved him from the first time I met him and over time that love grew along with my admiration of the man he was. My daughter Nicole was also fortunate to have spent a lot of time at the farm before and after school and at family gatherings. Whenever my grandson Ayden comes to visit he always asks if we can go visit Aunt Aice's and Unc Paul's. He followed Uncle Paul around, saw baby chicks hatching, held baby chicks and a baby duck for the first time at the farm, played with kittens and tried to catch chickens. Ayden is quite upset and will miss his Unc Paul very much. Children followed him all over (like the Pied Piper), 'helping', asking endless questions which Uncle Paul never seemed to run out of patience with. I know the children provided him with infinite love and enjoyment that was returned ten-fold. He was an affectionate, loving and caring man who could always be counted on for a hug, kiss or just have a good visit with. Plus, he grew the most beautiful roses around. Uncle Paul shared a few of the same characteristics as my Dad and that made him even more special to me. I will miss him.

Karen Harmon - November 25, 2013 at 09:38 AM

BS

“ Brooke, Josh, And Kolten Spohn lit a candle in memory of Paul Richard Edwards



Brooke, Josh, and Kolten Spohn - November 25, 2013 at 09:29 AM

MT

“ Sincere and heartfelt condolences to the entire Edwards family. My memories extend back to St. Michael's School with Dave and an occasional trip over to the Edwards farm whenever I was staying with Kay and Erv Starr, my sister and brother-in-law. God be with you in this time of sorrow. May God the Father love you, may God the Son heal you, and may God the Holy Spirit inspire you, as you share memories of the lives of both your parents. We will be keeping you in our thoughts and prayers, especially during the upcoming Advent and Christmas seasons.
John and Mary Jo (Irish) Thayer

Mary Jo Thayer - November 25, 2013 at 08:06 AM

LR

“ Lisa Ryba lit a candle in memory of Paul Richard Edwards



Lisa Ryba - November 25, 2013 at 07:22 AM

SR

“ Dave, Connie and families. My prayers are with you all. So very sorry for your losses.

Scott Redman

Scott Redman - November 25, 2013 at 07:17 AM

WF

“ *Winsor Family lit a candle in memory of Paul Richard Edwards*



Winsor Family - November 24, 2013 at 09:38 PM

LS

“ *Linda Sorek lit a candle in memory of Paul Richard Edwards*



Linda Sorek - November 24, 2013 at 09:30 PM

DS

So many Memories flash across my mind. Paul being left with children to raise after Carols death, in a farm accident. Paul met Alice who also lost a spouse. And had children They married and added rooms onto their home to accomodate the family. Our deepest Sympathy to the Edwards and Wright family. Larry and Donna Segerlind

Donna Segerlind - November 25, 2013 at 10:54 AM

LM

“ *Linda And Dennis Madalinski lit a candle in memory of Paul Richard Edwards*



Linda and Dennis Madalinski - November 24, 2013 at 08:44 PM