



Wayne B. Jolley

February 17, 1923 - January 14, 2019

Wayne B. Jolley longtime Grand Ledge resident passed away January 14, 2019. Wayne was one of seven children born to the late Harold C. and Erma M. (Praay) Jolley in Lansing, Michigan on February 17, 1923. He graduated from Eastern High School Class of 1941 and went on to proudly serve his country during WW II. Upon returning from military service, Wayne began an esteemed career as a Michigan State Police Officer, spending most of his time in the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Division. Wayne was a tremendous advocate and booster for Grand Ledge Athletics. He umpired Grand Ledge baseball, a sport he loved, for 25 years. Wayne used his passion for the game as an opportunity to challenge and help young athletes develop in the sport. Wayne made his home a place to mentor young people where they could play basketball, pool and other games. He will be remembered for his great sense of humor and concern and thoughtfulness for others.

He is survived by brother, Harold (Nancy) Jolley; numerous nieces and nephews and lifelong friend, Ron Starr. Wayne was preceded in death by sisters, Maxine Ingram and Dorothy Stobert; brothers, Rex, Donald and Ramon.

A Celebration of Wayne's life with military honors will be on Saturday, January 19, 2019, 4:00 p.m. at the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. Visitation will be from 1:00 p.m. until the time of the service at 4:00 p.m.

Memorial contributions in Wayne's memory may be given to Eaton Community Palliative Care, 2675 S. Cochran Road, Charlotte, Michigan 48813 (<http://ww>

w.echospice.org/donate.html) or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, Tennessee 38105 (https://www.stjude.org/donate/donate-to-st-jude.html?sc_icid=header-btn-donate-now) Click links above to donate online.

Cemetery Details

East Lawn Memory Gardens

2400 Bennett Road
Okemos, MI 48864

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 19. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home & Cremation Services
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Tribute Wall

AH

“ Wayne was such a big influence on my teen years in the late 60's at Derby Lake. This was a time of water skiing, golf , riding motorcycles, and just having fun with this generous man. He was always guiding and teaching us what it was like to be kind , honest and giving with his example. I am sad to see him go but he lived a special life that touch so many people so much more than he realized. My sincere condolences to the family for your loss. His memory will be with me forever! Alvie Hockstra

Alvie Hockstra - February 13, 2019 at 01:29 PM

NS

“ Uncle Wayne, thank you for helping me and other kids grow up to be men on the baseball field by your leadership as an umpire. I always looked forward to our talks about the outlook of the GL teams each year. You were such a joy to be around. Gonna miss your fudge at the family gatherings. Looks like heaven was in need of a good umpire. You will be missed, but never forgotten.

Your Great Nephew,

Tiny Sweet

Nathan Sweet - January 17, 2019 at 10:57 AM

BE

“ Thank You Wayne for the wonderful memories playing basketball and pool with you at your home. We enjoyed your leadership and the caring way you gave us advise about daily life. Your an awesome man and will never be forgotten. If you get to play basketball in heaven go easy on them with that hook shot of yours”

*Bruce English
1977 to 1980*

Bruce English - January 17, 2019 at 01:00 AM

RD

“ Wayne was a great man and loved Grand Ledge sports and a great supporter of the young people of a Grand Ledge, I enjoyed my talks with him.

*He will me missed by the community
Junior and Nancy and family sorry for your loss.
Robert and Rozanne Doty*

Robert Doty - January 16, 2019 at 08:10 PM

MS

“ I will miss seeing Wayne in the cookie aisle at Meijer's. I would tease him because he could not make Up his mind which ones he wanted. Our conversations almost all took place in the cookie aisle. He will be missed by all.

Marty Shoemaker - January 16, 2019 at 07:11 PM

JJ

“ Uncle Wayne, you will truly be missed! I remember as a child going to your house with my Dad and Mom at Christmas time, Your tree was always immaculate and those antique decorations were beautiful! You gave me chocolates every year for Christmas and I loved them! You had a little air organ you gave me and taught me how to play silent night on it. You also used to play Christmas songs on the big organ. I loved coming to your house. I remember Uncle Jr., Dad and you used to go the fights as well and you all 3 looked so much alike, I told my mom I had 3 Dad's. I am sure you and those who have went before you are all reunited now and that warms my heart. I will miss you! Love you Uncle Wayne!

Joyce Jolley - January 16, 2019 at 12:19 PM

VH

“ Wayne was simply a beautiful man with that quick Jolley wit and sense of humor! Although I did not see him a lot in later years, I would run into him occasionally at Meijer shopping. I can remember George talking about the great times he had playing golf on Sunday mornings with Wayne. He always referred to him as “Birdie.” 😊 I know Wayne's passing is a huge loss for all of you—but talk about a life well-lived!! Seems like Wayne lived his life on his own terms, and there probably isn't a more authentic testament than that.

Vicki L. Hunter - January 16, 2019 at 11:10 AM



“ Wayne will be missed. He was such a darling man. I enjoyed his sense of humor.

Vicki Willis-Scribner - January 15, 2019 at 09:26 AM