



Emory Curtis Daniels

November 20, 1943 - August 19, 2020

Born in Saginaw, Michigan, Westland resident Emory Curtis Daniels, 76, died of cancer complications on August 19, 2020. After moving to Garden City with his family in 1959, he graduated from Garden City High and then earned a journalism degree from Central Michigan University, associates degree in business from Schoolcraft College, and a professional development graduate degree from University of Michigan-Dearborn. Married to Beverly Hudson in 1966, he was the father of Bridgette Redman (Richard) and Lyle Daniels, and grandfather of Dominic Redman. Beverly and Emory celebrated their 50th anniversary in 2016. A journalist by profession, Daniels worked a year for the Wayne Dispatch after college, and then worked 33 years for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers serving as Editor in Westland, Garden City, Farmington, Plymouth, Canton, Livonia, and serving as Internet Editor for three years. After retiring he wrote marketing and public relations material as an independent contractor and was an official reviewer for Amazon.

He served on the Board of Directors for Community Opportunity Center, a non-profit providing housing and support for persons with developmental disabilities, and served as board president, vice president and secretary. He volunteered as Camp Grandpa for ten years for Royal Family Kids Camp, a non-profit serving children in the foster care system. He was a member for many years of Detroit First Church of the Nazarene in Northville and served on its church board. He attended Ward Presbyterian Church for several years. He was a member of Farmington, Plymouth and Livonia Rotary, and Livonia Exchange Club. He was a volunteer for compassionate ministry projects in Detroit and Indianapolis and for Blight Busters. Gathering of family and friends Saturday, September 5th from 11 AM until the 12 PM Memorial Service at Hilltop Nazarene Church, 21260 Haggerty Road, Northville, MI 48167. The service will be live streamed by Hilltop Nazarene. In lieu of flowers, we welcome you to make a donation to Community Opportunity Center, 14147 Farmington Road, Livonia, MI, 48154; or to the Royal Family Kids Camp at Hilltop Nazarene or the Compassionate Ministries at Hilltop Nazarene, 21260 Haggerty Rd, Northville, MI 48167. Please wear masks and we will observe social distancing. To share a memory, please use the Share a Memory tab on this web page.

Events

SEP 5 **Gathering of Family and Friends** 11:00AM - 12:00PM

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Hilltop Church of the Nazarene

21260 Haggerty Road, Northville, MI, US, 48167

SEP 5 **Memorial Service** 12:00PM - 01:00PM

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Comments



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Emory Curtis Daniels.



August 26, 2020 at 07:02 AM



“ I have fond memories of Emory. His wit, kindness and dignified manner made him stand out as a true gentleman. He and Bev had a wonderfully devoted, loving partnership. He adored his two children and grandson deeply and spoke of them with pride. My earliest memory of Emory was that of a studious college student pecking away at his typewriter emerging from his room only to refill the biggest basin of popcorn I'd ever seen one person consume. Although Emory said he was not a man to shed visible tears, I will never forget his depth of compassion at the loss of our son. His heart for others was very genuine. Goodbye cousin, until we meet again. May God bring comfort and peace to his beloved Bev, Bridget, (Richard), Lyle, and Dominic.

Rachel Garvey - August 26, 2020 at 07:01 AM



“ I was saddened to hear that Emory passed away. He was one of the kindest gentleman I have ever met. He will be deeply missed.

Francine Stroud - August 25, 2020 at 11:45 AM



“ To Bev and Emory's family:
I worked for Emory as a reporter, in Plymouth and Livonia. He had great common sense. He showed that a calm nature was worthy of respect. Of course, he loved to laugh, and wasn't afraid to address a tough situation. He had solid judgment. I valued keeping in touch with him. Sure will miss Emory, and won't forget.

Kevin Brown - August 25, 2020 at 11:21 AM



“ Emory was the calm in a sometimes stormy newsroom. He was the voice of reason and compassion, always. A true gentle man.

diane andreassi - August 25, 2020 at 10:48 PM



“ I remember Uncle Emory taking us to see where he worked at the Observer & Eccentric. It impressed me so much that I initially listed journalism as my major in college. My ultimate direction went another way, but my feelings of awe and pride in my Uncle Emory grew stronger. He had the honor of acting in his father's stead with regard as my Grandpa Daniels. Always welcoming us when came for visits.

On the morning of Grandma's memorial, I sat with my brother and Lyle at the breakfast table. My jaw was wired shut and I was drinking an Ensure through a straw. Uncle Em came in with his "good morning", looked at me and said, "That was your grandma's last meal!" (That was also the last time I drank an Ensure.)

I love my Uncle Emory. Not everyone has one, you know. I consider myself blessed to have him in my life.



Donna Masesso - August 24, 2020 at 07:57 PM



“ A big hearted man. You will be missed.

Darlene Robinson - August 24, 2020 at 05:56 PM



“ I remember Emory most as Grandpa with Royal Family Kids. The kids loved his stories. He prayed every night with each camper. We would talk during the day and joke. We moved to Grand Rapids and the they came out for a visit . We met for Mexican food and had a great visit. He will be greatly missed

Peggy Sanchez - August 24, 2020 at 05:48 PM



“ Aunt Beverly, I was so glad Neal and I got to see you, Uncle Emory and Lyle in March. Uncle Emory wasn't just an Uncle for me, he is the male figure, my grandpa figure. Grandpa passed before I was born. You both are so welcoming when we were at your home, it felt like home. I remember him telling stories of listening to the ball games on the old radio. But I think the funniest memory was the evening before Grandma's grave side service, we were all sitting in the living room, listening to all the stories. When you asked Uncle Emory " where's your mother", the room went silent and Uncle Emory says "in the van". You made him bring her inside. You were not going to let her be left in the van. He did bring her in the house. He's the smartest man I know and have the honor to call my Uncle. I will miss you Uncle Emory and promise to always be the best me. Because you always gave us the best of you. I am sad and know one day our family we be together soon. Love all of you. Wendy



Wendy Urch - August 22, 2020 at 10:32 PM



“ I have such good memories of time with Emory and Beverly. He was a kind , compassionate and gentle man. He was always willing to help if needed. I will always remember the fun times and trips I shared with him and Beverly trips to the beach both Myrtle beach and Destin, times spent playing games, which he was very good at. I have been blessed to call him 'friend'. My prayers are with Beverly and their family. Much love to you all, Linda Wiley.

Linda Wiley - August 24, 2020 at 05:45 PM



“ What a kind, big and generous heart Emory had. I got to know Emory through Community Opportunity Center where he donated his time and talent. The world was a better place with Emory in it and he will be missed. Enjoy the fruits of your generosity while dancing in Heaven with the Angels. He is another Guardian Angel for our COC family. Peace, Kathryn DeGeorge

DeGeorge - August 25, 2020 at 08:25 AM



“ This is the first "cousin" to leave us on the "Burk" side. It has saddened my heart but as I heard the news, I couldn't help but think of the reunion that was going on in Heaven.....just the thought of him seeing his Dad again, put joy instead of sadness back in....and also his Mom....but with the conditions of losing his father, that picture keeps playing in my mind! You may have been the first cousin to see Grandma & Grandpa, and all the Aunts and Uncles, but we will see you later! Tell Grandma to get that roast beef and yorkshire pudding ready for the rest of us! Love and prayers to Bev, Bridgette, Lyle & Dominic

Susan Bliss - August 25, 2020 at 04:11 PM