



Gerald David Aichler

May 9, 1929 - November 25, 2015

Aichler, Gerald David (Dave, Big Ike), Age 86 of Canton passed away peacefully with his granddaughter Nicolle at his side on November 25, 2015. Beloved caregiver and husband of Barbara. Loving father of Adelle (the late Russell) Aichler-Cote, David and Paul Aichler. Proud grandfather of Nicolle Brown and Matthew Hertlein. Great-Grandfather of Alexandria Brown. Brother of siblings Delores (the late Benjamin) Tousey, Dorothy Aichler and the late Douglas Aichler. The family will gather with friends Sunday 1:00 – 5:00 PM at Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 46401 W. Ann Arbor Rd., (btwn Sheldon & Beck) Plymouth. In state Monday 10:30 AM until 11 AM Funeral Mass at Resurrection Parish, 48755 Warren Road, Canton, MI 48187. Dave's interests were many. He was a life-long musician and artist. He spent many years as the drummer and singer of the Garden City Big Band. He enjoyed playing jazz, blues, Dixieland, Cuban and even the occasional rock tune. He was a member of the Detroit Federation of Musicians as well. At church he was never shy and his voice could be heard above the choir. Dad was an accomplished artist, with a BA he earned at Eastern Michigan University in 1971. His specialty was pottery, but he won 1st place at a Ford Motor Company contest for a beautiful charcoal drawing. He retired from Ford where he is still remembered for his good humor and sparkling wit. His impersonations were many and spot on! Dad loved the outdoors. He was an avid bird watcher and loved spending time in his yard. He could be found most summer nights by his bonfire with a "cold one" in his hand. His love of fishing

and camping went back to his childhood. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him. A special thanks to everyone that touched his life at Waltonwood. To share a memory, please use the Share a Memory tab on this web page.

Previous Events

Gathering of Family and Friends

DEC 6. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home Plymouth
46401 Ann Arbor Road West
Plymouth, MI 48170
(734) 459-2250
plymouth@vermeulenh.com

In state

DEC 7. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Resurrection Catholic Church
48755 Warren Road
Canton, MI 48187

Funeral Mass

DEC 7. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Gerald David Aichler

December 07, 2023 at 05:11 AM



“ I always called him, "Mr. Ike's Dad!" (smile) What a happy go lucky guy he was. He always had some whimsical story of his past that he would share whenever I went to their house with Dave! I only wish that I would of been able to get over there to visit Dave's folks more. I guess we all have similar wishes to that effect though! He always made me smile whenever I saw that beaming smile on his face. He was a great guy and I will miss him always. I consider myself lucky just to have known Mr. Ike's Dad! A Great Man for sure! RIP Gerald! I'll keep an eye on little Davey for ya, OK? (smile) Take care, Bill Netter

Bill Netter - December 06, 2015 at 10:59 PM



“ I PLAYED IN DANCE BAND WITH DAVE IN FORDSON HIGH.
FUNNY TO WATCH DAVE PUT HIS DRUM SET IN DICK
CYWINSKI ' MODEL A FORD.
LEO BURESH
TENOR SAX

LEO BURESH - December 04, 2015 at 01:24 PM



I'm sure that you are in some of the photo's we have Mr. Buresh.

David J Aichler - December 04, 2015 at 02:33 PM

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“ To the whole family of Gerald David Aichler, we are so very sorry to hear of your great loss. We remember them coming over to my dad's home, Bud Taylor to visit. We also remember them being at our wedding. Now he rests on the other side and is in good hands, with all of his friends and relatives. Blessed be.



Sue and Rober Taylor - December 04, 2015 at 11:12 AM

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“ Andy & Amy Wilson purchased the Blue Caribbe an Bouquet for the family of Gerald David Aichler.

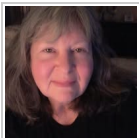


Andy & Amy Wilson - December 04, 2015 at 10:50 AM

BA

“ Thoughts and prayers for your family Adelle. Love Barb and Denny Arney

Barbara Arney - December 04, 2015 at 07:54 AM



“ Adelle Aichler-Cote lit a candle in memory of Gerald David Aichler



Adelle Aichler-Cote - December 04, 2015 at 07:15 AM