



Neil D. Oldham

June 24, 1947 - February 16, 2023

Oldham, Neil D. – February 16, 2023, age 75 of Plymouth. Beloved husband of Joann for 53 years. Loving father of Julie (Bruce) Thompson and Heather (Tracy) Baughman. Proud grandfather of Joshua, Emily, Zachary, and Sarah. Neil was a special education teacher in the Dearborn Heights school district for 34 years. His real estate career was very important to him and he ended that career with ReMerica. He also enjoyed wood working and owning many Corvettes. He and Joann also loved to travel. Because of losing an arm to cancer, Neil was involved in a research program at the University of Michigan which was developing a new generation of prosthesis which are articulating and tactile. Memorial Gathering Friday, February 24th 9:30 AM until the 12 noon Memorial Service at Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 46401 Ann Arbor Road, West (between Sheldon and Beck) Plymouth. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the ProMedica Hospice Memorial Fund, 444 N. Summit St. Toledo, OH 43604, or online at www.promedica.org/waystogive/hospice-memorial-fund/ To share a message, please use the share a memory tab on this webpage.

Previous Events

Memorial Gathering

FEB **24**. 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home Plymouth
46401 Ann Arbor Road West
Plymouth, MI 48170
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Memorial Service

FEB **24**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Neil D. Oldham*

December 07, 2023 at 05:11 AM



“ *My Condolences to Family and Friends.
He was a great man and Great/Best Teacher Ever. Always put a
smile on your face. May the Angels surround you all and bring you
peace at this hard time . 🕯️🕊️🕯️*

Teresa Garza - February 26, 2023 at 11:26 AM



“ *So Sad to hear of his passing, Mr Olham was a Great Teacher as
well as a Great Man, he gave me a ride in his Corvette and taught
me alot about Woodworking and he will be missed by all. RIP Mr
Oldham*

Russell Walker - February 17, 2023 at 09:53 AM



Anthony Gajewski

“ I met Mr. Oldham in the fall of 1986 when i transfer from GR Riverview HS to attend Annapolis HS in Dearborn heights. I was in his woodshop class where he taught me so much about wood building i still have all my projects from that class . I also hand Mr. Oldham for special ed english class he was a great teacher . I'm very sad to hear of his passing Irecall his 1954 vet he would park it right outside his class window.I want to share something funny Neil use to show us a VHS video once in a while in woodshop class called The Woodwright's Shop we renamed his shop the wood wrong shop because if anything could go wrong it usually did . Neil please say hello to another great Special Ed teacher in heaven mr Gary strum .Thank you for helping me learn easier rest in peace. To the Oldham family your father husband and grandfather i will always remember. Tony Gajewski student 1986 thru 1987 Annapolis High School.



Anthony Gajewski - February 17, 2023 at 02:17 AM

JH

Such a beautiful tribute to the legacy Neil left behind💜

Jodi Shade Howe - February 23, 2023 at 12:33 PM

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Neil Oldham was an extremely strong teacher leader within the Michigan Education Association and more particularly within Wayne County MEA/NEA, a multiple association bargaining organization (MABO) that coalesced in the late seventies and early eighties to protect teachers' rights to fight for better salaries and working conditions. His ascension from local president to eventually a leadership position to the MABO executive board before his retirement is a testament to not only his belief in the importance of the teaching profession, but proof of his ability to lead his fellow workers. He knew how much value he added to society and never accepted "no" as an answer. Those who walk in his footsteps must realize how he helped teachers finally gain more respect from society along with better remuneration.

Elaine Miller - March 03, 2023 at 12:58 PM

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He will be truly missed by him cousin in California who he face timed often.

Ron Replogle - March 06, 2023 at 09:43 AM