



Darrell Wayne Hoff

December 28, 1952 - April 4, 2024

JASPER- Darrell Wayne Hoff, 71, passed away surrounded by his loving family on Thursday, April 4, 2024 after a long illness.

Darrell was born on December 28, 1952, to Gerald B. and Velma (Walters) Hoff in Adrian, Michigan. He was baptized as a child of God on March 29, 1953. On June 23, 1979, he married the love of his life, Melodee F. (Ansted) Sullins and they were blessed with 44 years of a beautiful union with many lively times and memories.

Darrell graduated from Adrian High School in 1971 and from Central Michigan University in 1975 with a degree in business administration. Darrell's parents owned Hoff Oil Co. in Adrian, Michigan as the Mobil consignee. In his youth, Darrell grew up at the oil company and helped his father. At the sudden death of his father in 1979, Darrell went to work with his mother to take care of the customers. For the next 9 years, he was the oil man through Mobil and then Standard Oil. Darrell and Melodee then established Darrell's Hoff Oil Co. and grew the business that expanded to the complex at Sand Creek Hwy and Beecher, known as Hoffies, Darrell's Hoff Oil Co. and Hoffies Neighborhood Car Wash. Everyone knew Darrell's flashy trucks and the slogans "The Biggest Little Oil Company in Lenawee County" and "Solving Your Problems with Experience". Some would say, Darrell thinks he knows everything. Truth is: He usually did and helped many people. After the business closed in 2008, he worked a short time for Bales, Inc and Level One until he retired due to health problems.

Darrell was active in the community with the Adrian Chamber of Commerce and Adrian Symphony. Darrell was confirmed as a member of St. John's Lutheran Church on December 12, 1980. He served on the school board and as a Sunday School Superintendent. With his wife, Melodee, he taught Sunday school classes and Bible Studies for years. He held other offices in the church and was president of the Men's Club for years. He loved greeting people at church and was a disciple of Christ sharing his faith with people at the local restaurants and grocery stores.

When he wasn't working, Darrell loved to fish and take his family on camping trips. A trip with Darrell was always an adventure and unpredictable, giving his family many exciting memories.

In addition to his wife, Melodee, Darrell is survived by his sons, Stephen D. (Samantha) Hoff, David R. (Tracy) Sullins and Melodee's adopted daughter, Brenda Burke; grandchildren, Reagan and Tucker Sullins, Caleb and Sam Dawson, and Xander Hoff; siblings, Alan (Sue) Hoff and Barbara (Tom) Knotek. Darrell was preceded in death by his parents.

A memorial visitation for Darrell will be held on Sunday, April 14, 2024 from 2 to 5 p.m. at Wagley Funeral Home, Adrian. His memorial service will take place at St. John's Lutheran Church on Monday, April 15, 2024 at 11:00 a.m., with a one hour visitation prior. Pastor Joel Sarrault will be officiating the service.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. John's Lutheran Church. Online condolences and memories may be shared at www.WagleyFuneralHomes.com

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

APR **14**. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Wagley Funeral Home (Adrian)
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Adrian, MI 49221
(517) 263-1400
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<https://www.WagleyFuneralHome.com>

Memorial Visitation

APR **15**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. John's Lutheran Church
3448 North Adrian Highway
Adrian, MI

Memorial Service

APR **15**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

BP

“ *Debbie n I met Darrell in the apartment we lived in, Perrysburg. He lived in the apartment below us. From then on we had a special friendship with him. We had alot of good times together. The blizzard of 1978, a train ride we all took up into Canada. Just being around each other. Times that we will not forget. We are truly going to miss him. N although we lost contact with him as years went by, we still often thought of him. Our deepest sympathies n condolences to his family. Bill n Debbie Polk*

Bill n Deb Polk - July 06, 2024 at 10:28 AM

TE

“ *I'm so sorry for you guys loss, he looks like a great man!*

temperance - May 28, 2024 at 11:31 AM

GS

“ *Oh, Melody, I had a nice talk with him at the grocery store on his walk. I am so sorry I didn't see this and attend. We send our sincere sympathy.*

Greg & Marty Schoonover - April 19, 2024 at 09:47 AM

LN

“ *So sorry to hear of Darrell's passing, Melodee. Peace.*

Lisa Wilkie Neuman - April 17, 2024 at 06:46 PM

SR

“Melodie, I was so sorry to hear of Darrell’s passing. The two of you have been such a blessing to me with your kind words of encouragement, cards, and coming to my father’s visitation. I remember all the conversations I used to have with Darrell when he would deliver my fuel oil at my first home on Butler Street. And I remember how the two of you portrayed Martin and Katie Luther at St. John’s. God’s blessings to you as you go through this difficult time in your life.

Sharon Rickaby - April 12, 2024 at 07:02 PM

MM

“Mark M. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Darrell Wayne Hoff.

Mark M. - April 12, 2024 at 02:30 PM

JB

“Jacqualin B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Darrell Wayne Hoff.

Jacqualin B. - April 12, 2024 at 08:44 AM

RR

“Ross, Kara, & Anne and Candace Roesch purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Darrell Wayne Hoff.



Ross, Kara, & Anne and Candace Roesch - April 11, 2024 at 05:43 PM

LR

“ Melodee, our thoughts and prayers are for you and your family. We got a lot of visiting done at Country Market while you shopped. Always nice to see Darrel never changed, if he walked into room that had 3 people he didn't know, when he left he had 3 new friends.

Louie & Donna Rockwood - April 09, 2024 at 05:34 PM

SN

“ Darell was my ride to and from Central Michigan University from time to time back in the 70's. Always a gentleman. He always greeted me when I returned to Adrian and saw him at church. A good man. A man of God. Comfort, peace and hope to Melodee and Darell's entire family.

Susan Wells Newville - April 09, 2024 at 11:43 AM

CG

“ Very sorry for to hear of Darrell's passing. I have great memories of high school, college and rooming with him in Perrysburg. He was up for adventure and we took an unlikely trip to NYC. I know he will be missed by many.

Chuck Gross

Charles Gross - April 09, 2024 at 09:13 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Darrell Wayne Hoff.



April 08, 2024 at 09:27 PM

MH

“ Michael Hoff planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Darrell Wayne Hoff.

Michael Hoff - April 08, 2024 at 09:27 PM

MS

“ I'm so sorry for the family's loss!!







Marsha Summers - April 07, 2024 at 03:22 PM

JO

“ Darrell's warmth and friendliness with everyone he crossed paths with will be remembered the most as we journey through this time of sadness. I will miss his smile, his enthusiastic wave as I drove by the house, or the toot of the horn on the fuel delivery truck as he drove by the farm. His time on earth was well lived, and we are all blessed to have known him.

Jim Opsal - April 06, 2024 at 11:11 PM

JL

“ Sending much love...hugs and sincere condolences to our dear friend Melodie   . May God bless you and your family as you transition here on earth without Darrell   
Jerry and Kayleen Liedel

Jerry and Kayleen Liedel - April 06, 2024 at 07:06 AM

JG

“ Condolences to Melodee and all of the Hoff family. Darrell was a special man, always friendly and respectful to our family. May he have everlasting peace in heaven with his Lord and Savior. And may all of the happy memories bring comfort to his family.

Jennifer Griffith - April 05, 2024 at 08:15 PM

PS

“ *Patty Shoemake lit a candle in memory of Darrell Hoff*



Patty Shoemake - April 05, 2024 at 07:32 PM

DG

“ *Longtime neighbor and longtime friend. Fairwell to the Hoffmaster.*

Dennis Gibbs - April 05, 2024 at 06:24 PM

BS

“ *My dad cal beaubien thought the world of Darrell. Considered him a good friend. May he rest in peace. Barb Beaubien Stewart*

Barbara beaubien stewart - April 05, 2024 at 05:20 PM