



David L. Wakefield

June 3, 1935 - March 31, 2019

ADRIAN – David L. Wakefield, age 83 of Adrian, passed away Sunday, March 31, 2019, at Tecumseh Place.

David was born June 3, 1935, in St. Johns, Michigan, the son of Paul and Cressie (Matthews) Wakefield. During the Korean Conflict, he served in the United States Army. David graduated from Michigan State University with a Bachelor's Degree in Mass Communications.

On September 7, 1957, David married Josephine Woodbury, and she survives.

After a brief stint as a sports broadcaster for WTOM-TV in Cheboygan, David moved to Adrian to work as an adjustor with S.E. Mutual Insurance Company and later State Farm Fire and Casualty Company, where he retired in 1997.

David was an active and energetic member of the Adrian Kiwanis Club, working on countless projects and committees. He not only served as Kiwanis President, he was honored as Kiwanian of the Year in 1979 and became an Adrian Kiwanis Hixson Fellow in 2013. David delighted in emceeing the area Special Olympics for over 20 years. He was a member of the Adrian First United Methodist Church. His favorite past times included traveling, fishing, golfing and playing cards. David treasured his grandchildren and spent many happy hours with Jo traveling to their events and being their greatest fans.

In addition to Jo, his devoted wife of over 61 years, he is survived by their children: Patrick (Cyndi) Wakefield of Knoxville, TN, Jill Clark (Rob) of Tecumseh, Amy Keck of Adrian; son-in-law, Doug George of Defiance;

brother, Dean (Karen) Wakefield of Sacramento, CA; ten grandchildren: Chan (Ashley), Tyler (Blair), Ryan, Paul (Ria), Quinn (Des), Evyn, Abi, Reid, Gabriele (Dylan), and Madeline; and five great grandchildren: Oaklyn, Bryn, Hugh, Caroline and Henry.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by a daughter, Dawn George. Funeral services will take place at 11 a.m., Saturday, April 6, 2019, at Wagley Funeral Home with Reverends Drew Hart, Christopher Brundage and Linda Farley officiating and military honors conducted by VFW Annis Fint Post #1584 and American Legion Post #97. Visitation will be held at the funeral home Friday from 3 to 7 p.m.

Contributions in memory of David are suggested to First United Methodist Church or Hospice of Lenawee. Online memories and condolences may be shared at www.WagleyFuneralHomes.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 5. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Wagley Funeral Home (Adrian)
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Adrian, MI 49221
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Funeral Service

APR 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *David L. Wakefield*

January 28, 2023 at 12:24 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of David L. Wakefield.*



April 05, 2019 at 12:08 AM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of David L. Wakefield.*



April 04, 2019 at 07:45 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of David L. Wakefield.*



April 04, 2019 at 07:17 PM

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“ *From the family of Don Beard at Tecumseh Place purchased the Pretty Please for the family of David L. Wakefield.*



From the family of Don Beard at Tecumseh Place - April 03, 2019 at 02:00 PM

CM

“ *Connie and Michael purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of David L. Wakefield.*



Connie and Michael - April 03, 2019 at 12:24 PM

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“ *Memories that will last a life time for our family. The Wakefields, my second family right across the street on Park drive. Hide and seek in the basement, sliding down the stairs on our knees, lots of bike rides, being pushed in the wagon in your driveway and you fell out and broke you arm, Riding in the Volkswagen bug. Swimming at my house. Dawn was such a graceful synchronized swimmer, i loved watching her. I loved sitting at that big beautiful dinning room table for dinner. Jo, your cooking was amazing. Dave's deep voice sometimes scared me but then he would laugh and all was good. I thought Pat was so cute, he was the one that teased me the most but that's what boys do. Amy was like a doll baby to play with. A great family that stepped up and took care of me when my sister was in a terrible accident. Like i said, the Wakefields were my second family. I could not have asked for nicer neighbors or better friends. If my parents were still here they would agree. There is so much more to share. God Bless you all. Thank you Lord God for Dave and the privilege of knowing him. Our loss and Heavens gain of a wonderful man. All my Love- Cindy Lucas-Rowe*

Cindy Rowe - April 02, 2019 at 09:48 AM

Jl

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Jill - April 01, 2019 at 08:42 PM

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Beautiful photo of you and your daddy Jill or should i say Jilly Bean. All my Love- Cindy

Cindy Rowe - April 02, 2019 at 09:11 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of David L. Wakefield.



April 01, 2019 at 01:32 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden* was purchased for the family of David L. Wakefield.



April 01, 2019 at 12:14 PM