



George R. Yansen

August 1, 1915 - June 15, 2011

ADRIAN - George Richard Yansen, of Adrian, MI, June 15, 2011, age 95.

He was born August 1, 1915, in Maynard, OH, to Alexander and Anna Yanssens. Married in North Baltimore, OH, to his beloved wife of 63 years, Virginia (Cryer); father of Johanna Lynn Bauer (Ron) of Milford, MI, and infant son David Bruce Yansen, deceased; grandfather/great-grandfather of Barrett Emerson Lewis of Chicago, IL, Amy Mendeljian (Grant) and their children Ryan and Reese of Milford, MI, Lisa Wade (Bryant) and their children Carter and Caitlyn of Rochester Hills, MI, and Ronald Bauer (Karen) and their children Lindsay, Brock and Cade of Scottsdale, AZ. George survived two sisters, Velma Ross and Elizabeth Soos, and three brothers, Albert, Ernest and William.

George was a graduate of St. Clairsville High School, OH, and received a B.A. in Education from Adrian College and an M.A. in School Administration from the University of Michigan. His 35 year career as an educator included an elementary teacher in the Hillsdale Schools, Junior High teacher and principal in the Pontiac School District, and auditor for the Michigan Department of Education. George was a life-long believer of Jesus Christ - baptized/member of Maynard Methodist Church, member/held many offices in Central United Methodist Church (Pontiac, then Waterford), and member of First United Methodist Church of Adrian. He was also a member of the Kiwanis Club and

was President/on the Board of Directors of the Oakland Symphony. George loved to garden, woodworking, music, reading and his pets, Pierre and Porsche. He was an avid traveler with family and friends in the US, Europe, and Australia/New Zealand, and he was most proud of organizing 25 trips of Junior High students to Washington, DC.

A Celebration of George's Life will be held at First United Methodist Church in Adrian on Monday, June 20, 2011, at 2 p.m. with Rev. Christopher Brundage officiating. The family will receive friends on Sunday, June 19th, at the Wagley Funeral Home from 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m., and at the church on Monday from 1 p.m. until the service begins at 2p.m. Memorial gifts may be made to the George and Virginia Yansen Education Scholarship at Adrian College, Hospice of Lenawee, or First United Methodist Church of Adrian. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home. You may also sign the register book or send condolences at www.WagleyFuneralHome.com

A special thank you to the staff and caregivers at Lenawee Medical Care Facility and Hospice of Lenawee for the wonderful care given to George.

Previous Events

Service

JUN **20**. 2:00 PM (ET)

First United Methodist Church
1245 West Maple Avenue
Adrian, MI

Tribute Wall



“ George R. Yansen

January 28, 2023 at 12:24 PM



“ BION I'm imprsesed! Cool post!##imported-begin##Aspen##imported-end##

July 03, 2011 at 06:11 AM



“ Our sincere condolences to the family of the " Best Principal" I ever had the pleasure of working with at Madison Jr High.##imported-begin##Charles Spadafore##imported-end##

June 25, 2011 at 09:12 AM



“ We are sorry to hear of George's passing. You are in our hearts. Love, Doran & Michelle##imported-begin##Doran & Michelle Powell##imported-end##

June 21, 2011 at 06:56 PM



“ Johanna,
I am so sorry for your loss. Please know that my thoughts are with you and your family.
Fondly,
Evelyn##imported-begin##Evelyn Freeman##imported-end##

June 21, 2011 at 05:49 PM



“ Jolynn,
My condolences goes out for you and your family in the loss of your Father. It looks like he had a long and wonderful life on this earth and now he will have a wonderful life with our Lord. My prayers go out for the sadness just remember all the great memories.....Deb##imported-begin##Deborah Barr (Doule)##imported-end##

June 21, 2011 at 09:52 AM



“ Dear Ginney, Johanna, Ron & Barrett, We are both so sorry for your loss. We know how much you all loved him and the wonderful memories you have with him. I personally was so grateful to have know him even though we did not see each other much but learned just how special he was to so many through you all. We send our love and heartfelt condolenses for your loss and know now he is in a great place. Larry & Loretta##imported-begin##Larry & Loretta Mach##imported-end##

June 20, 2011 at 02:37 PM



“ WE ARE SO SORRY TO HEAR OF HIS PASSING. WE REMEMBER GREAT TIMES WITH HIM AT MADISON AND WHAT A GREAT PERSON HE WAS, OUR THOUGHTS AND BEST WISHES ARE WITH YOU GINNY AT THIS TIME .
NORM##imported-begin##Norm and Eve Felt##imported-end##

June 20, 2011 at 10:45 AM



“ Dear Jo,
So glad to hear that you were with your Dad as he slipped from this world into the next. I am sure he knew that you were there. I know he was deeply loved by you and your Mom and that he was/is a wonderful father. You will see him again and that will be a great day!##imported-begin##Karen Stubrud##imported-end##

June 20, 2011 at 12:15 AM



“ Dear Johanna and Ron,

Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you today.

Your dad lead a full and wonderful life and was a great example to all his family.##imported-begin##Caarol ad Bill Kowaleski##imported-end##

June 19, 2011 at 05:15 PM



“ Johanna and family,
I am so sorry to hear about your father. Your father was an amazing man. I never met him but felt like I knew him from all the wonderful things you said about him. Please know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.##imported-begin##Linda Gerard##imported-end##

June 19, 2011 at 12:23 PM



“ Dear JoLynn, I am so very sorry to hear about your Father. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this very sad time.##imported-begin##Nancy Wirth##imported-end##

June 18, 2011 at 02:06 PM



“ Ginny, Johanna & Ron, & family,

It was with much sadness that I read George's obituary and I send to all of you my heartfelt sympathy. Though he lived a very meaningful 95 years, I hoped he would go on forever impacting lives as he did mine.

I first met him as a student on the 1962 Washington DC trip..... When I had enough college credits to do so, I subbed for him at Madison. When it was time to student teach, he invited me to teach in his building. Upon graduation, he asked me to join his English department and I taught for him my first 3 years. He gave me my professional beginning and he was the epitome of professionalism, standards, and excellence. I will forever be grateful for him in my life and career.##imported-begin##Nancy Van Hull##imported-end##

June 18, 2011 at 02:02 PM



“ Jo Lynn,

Please accept my deepest condolences. Your dad and family will be in my prayers. I wish you and yours well through this difficult time.

All the best,

Norb##imported-begin##Norb Shubert##imported-end##

June 18, 2011 at 10:16 AM



“ Virginia and family,
We were so sad to read of George's death. He was blessed to have lived a long and fruitful life and you were all blessed to have shared in his life as oving wife/child/grandchild/sibling/in-law/friend. Please know that you'll be in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##John & Nancy Hodson##imported-end##

June 18, 2011 at 09:24 AM



“ May the God that George knew and loved be ever near to you at this time. You are in my thoughts and prayers. God Bless and Keep you.##imported-begin##Steve Barron##imported-end##

June 18, 2011 at 09:03 AM



“ Dear Johanna,
I was so sorry to hear about your father's death. No matter how long we have our parents in our lives, we always want one more day.

Know that my thoughts and prayers are with you.
Jackie##imported-begin##Jackie Moase-Burke##imported-end##

June 17, 2011 at 06:23 PM



“ I am so sorry to hear of your loss- and will remember you (all) in my prayers. Michelle Quarton##imported-begin##Michelle Quarton##imported-end##

June 17, 2011 at 12:47 PM



“ *Please accept my sincere condolences. Jo Lynn, your parents were always so wonderful to me as a child growing up with you at Washington Jr. High. May the Lord send His angels to comfort you.##imported-begin##Judith Ann Green Zitiello##imported-end##*

June 17, 2011 at 09:41 AM