



## Melvin Lee Fatchett

June 2, 1950 - August 30, 2020

SYLVANIA, OHIO – Melvin Lee Fatchett, 70, of Sylvania, OH formerly of Blissfield, MI, died Sunday, evening August 30, 2020 while under the loving care of the staff of Ebeid Hospice Residence.

Born June 2, 1950, in Adrian, MI, Melvin was the son of Donald and Emma (Thompson) Fatchett. He attended Blissfield schools and proudly graduated from Blissfield High School 1968. He earned his Bachelor's Degree in Education from Bowling Green State University and his Master's in Technology Education from Eastern Michigan University.

Melvin began his employment as an Educator with Evergreen Local Schools for five years. His love of teaching led to his career as Technology Educator for the Madison School District for over 25 years until his retirement. An avid sports lover, he also coached football and baseball for the Evergreen, Tecumseh, and Madison school districts. He was a passionate fan of all University of Michigan sports teams. He was an active member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Riga and the Sons of the American Legion in Adrian.

Melvin is survived by his sister, Patricia Hansen of Blissfield; sister-in-law, Pamela Fatchett of Parma, MI; step-daughters, Ashley and Angie; niece, Roxann Harrington; nephews, John Fatchett, II and Christopher Fatchett; five great-nieces and nephews; and a large extended family.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, John, whom he adored, just 10 days prior on August 20.

Due to the current pandemic public health restrictions, a private burial service will take place at the Riga Cemetery with Rev. Justin Shrum officiating. Arrangements were entrusted to the Wagley Funeral Home, Tagsold Chapel in Blissfield.

The family suggests that memorial contributions to honor Melvin be made to St. John's Lutheran Church, Riga. Online memories and condolences may be shared at [www.WagleyFuneralHomes.com](http://www.WagleyFuneralHomes.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Riga Cemetery

Cemetery Road  
Riga, MI

# Tribute Wall



“ *Melvin Lee Fatchett*

January 28, 2023 at 12:24 PM



“ *We were saddened when we read about Mel's death. I remember him as a good kid, a good student, and a good athlete. Well Mel, if you can read this there is the old saying that says, "It is not important what you take with you, it is what you leave behind that is important." You left so much good behind in the 58 years since I saw and spoke with you, I am honored to have known you. See you latter.*

*Shalom,*

*Rev. M. E. (Morrie) Walworth, Jr.  
Former teacher/coach at Blissfield Junior High*

M. E. Walworth, Jr. - September 09, 2020 at 02:05 PM



“ *Mel was a great friend and will be missed by me and the memories our Michigan football times will always be cherished--Go Blue Mel--Mike Corley*

Mike Corley - September 04, 2020 at 02:22 PM



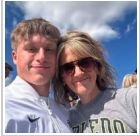
“ *Rest In Peace old friend*

Larry Herrick - September 03, 2020 at 08:23 AM

RS

“ I played high school football against Mel. We both taught Shop classes, we coached JV & Varsity football at Tecumseh together. Our friendship that developed between us is one I will forever cherish. Rest In Peace Mel.

Raymond Schmidt - September 02, 2020 at 02:53 PM



“ Mel we will  
Miss you so much!! Thank you  
For always being a father figure to me and Ashley!! We love you!!  
Angie and Chad Patterson💛💛

Angie McCune Patterson - September 02, 2020 at 12:41 PM

EH

“ Evelyn H. lit a candle in memory of Melvin  
Lee Fatchett



Evelyn H. - September 02, 2020 at 10:26 AM

TO

“ Dear Pat ;

I am sorry to hear of Mel's death we had a lot of great times together I was at Evergreen when he taught there and we were friends ever since he will surely be missed by many.

Tom [Boz] Ott

Tom Ott - September 02, 2020 at 09:39 AM

DF

“ *Mel was a great teammate, childhood friend that I have many memories of time after time. Will miss you Buddy, till we meet again.*  
*Dave & Sally Fritz*

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**Dave Fritz** - September 01, 2020 at 06:07 PM

FR

“ *Hi Pat,*  
*We are sorry to learn of Mel's death. He was a great guy and it was a pleasure and privilege to have know him.*  
*Frank & Donna Riley*

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**Frank Riley** - September 01, 2020 at 09:19 AM

MC

“ *Mr. Fatchett was a good coach and teacher. He cared for his players and always wanted his players to accomplish goals and go above those goals. Even though I have not seen or talked w/ Coach in over 30 years I have always thought about him. Rest In Peace Coach.*

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**Michael Cox** - September 01, 2020 at 08:24 AM

CH

“ *A good teammate. A great friend. I'll miss you Mel.*

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**Cal Horvath** - August 31, 2020 at 08:29 PM



“ So sorry to hear about Mel’s passing. A great guy & a terrific athlete during his BHS days & also at BGSU, where I believe he played rugby. And then there were the Oil Burners. He was a power hitter! It was a treat to reconnect with him at the BHS Class of 68 Reunion & even more fun to have dinner with him & my family last October. He was the star of the show! Rest In Peace, Mel. You will be missed. Photo shows the back of this big man in blue at the BHS ‘68 50th Reunion.



Kitty Allen - August 31, 2020 at 08:06 PM

BS

Thinking of you and your family. So sad to read if Mels passing. With sympathy and love  
Barb Becker

Barbara Becker Speow - September 02, 2020 at 09:04 PM

AS

I loved coaching Mel, he had a great competitive spirit. I am thankful that he attended my birthday party in Blissfield, July, 2019. We had a fun time chatting about great old times.  
RIP big guy and congrats on a life well spent. Coach Al

Al Schaffer - September 03, 2020 at 05:35 PM

VF

Pat, I am devastated about all of this. Love, Valerie Fatchett

Valerie Fatchett - September 04, 2020 at 12:09 AM