



Wallace Earl Waring

May 14, 1929 - November 27, 2021

WARING, Wallace Earl, passed away peacefully on Saturday, November 27, 2021. He was a dedicated family man and he will be dearly missed by all who knew him. Wallace is preceded in death by his parents Earl Waring and Clara Proulx Waring, along with his brother, James Waring, and sister Rosemary Waring Reid (Robert). He is survived by his wife of 61 years, Janice; his four children: Thomas, James (Laurie), David (Holly) and Amy; his seven grandchildren: Jamie, Jessica, Alyssa, Jonathan, Taylor, Michael and Matthew; his eight great-grandchildren: Alexa, Mason, Alaina, Kacen, Braden Wallace, Hadleigh, Joshua Wallace and Madisyn. Also survived by his loving in-laws, cousins, nieces and nephews. Wally was a gifted thinker, communicator and teacher. A true leader by example and a kind human being. Wally was an active participant in his magnificent life and shared a true love story with his wife Janice. Throughout their lives together they shared a robust and happy family life, whether going "up north" to their lake cottage, visiting their condo "down south" or travelling the world with brothers, sisters and in-laws. Wally sincerely enjoyed and valued his friendships and he loved his children, adored his grandchildren and cherished his great-grandchildren. Wally was born in Detroit, Michigan. In his early years he had a Detroit Times paper delivery route, was very active in sports (baseball), music (clarinet in marching and concert bands) and the Boy Scouts of America, teaching young men to become Eagle Scouts. After graduating from Denby High School he worked for S.S. Kresge Company and Aetna Insurance. Wally then proudly joined the United States Navy and served as a submariner on the USS Sealion Submarine with wartime military service between 1948-1952 during the Korean War. Upon honorable discharge from the United States Navy, Wally began to pursue education as a career. Studying at the University of Detroit then earning his Bachelor's Degree at Wayne State University, where he also earned a Master's Degree in education. Wally's first teaching assignment was at Goodale Elementary School where he met another teacher who would become his wife, Janice Seavoy Waring. Over the next 30 years he taught at several schools and on several levels, mostly in the Detroit Public Schools: Denby High School, where he served as a teacher in adult education for many years, Osborn High School, where he lead a team of students to win the Quiz Bowl Championship on television for the city of Detroit, Trix Elementary School, Pere Gabriel Richard Elementary School and the

Roeper City and County School for the Gifted. Wally spent a large portion of the second half of his teaching career in special education. He also served as President of the St. Brendan's Parish Council, where his children attended school. After retiring from teaching in 1987 Wally built his own carpentry/wood shop and crafted wooden carvings for the Christmas holiday season. His creative nature had him also writing short stories on various experiences in his life. Wally then found a second career that he loved working as a historical interpreter at Wolcott Mill of the Huron-Clinton Metroparks Authority. His presentations there became legendary. 24 years later he retired from that position to enjoy spending time with his wife, family and friends. Wally positively influenced many throughout his entire life. He was a strong, magnetic man, a man of faith, and a bright shining light to his family and to the world. He will be dearly missed. God bless Wally and may he rest in peace. Visitation Friday, December 17 from 5-8pm at Wujek-Calcaterra & Sons, Inc., 54880 Van Dyke (at 25 Mile Rd.), Shelby Township. Instate Saturday, December 18 from 9:30am until time of 10am Mass at St. Kieran Catholic Church, 53600 Mound Rd. (S. of 25 Mile Rd.), Shelby Township. Entombment with military honor rendered by the United States Navy, Christian Memorial Gardens West, Rochester Hills. Memorial contributions are appreciated to the Navy-Marine Corps Relife Society (www.nmcrs.org). Please share memories with the family at their online guestbook at WujekCalcaterra.com

Cemetery

Christian Memorial Cultural Center

521 E. Hamlin

Rochester Hills, MI, 48307

Events

DEC 17 Visitation 05:00PM - 08:00PM

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Wujek-Calcaterra & Sons, Inc. Shelby Township
54880 VanDyke Ave, Shelby Township, MI, US,
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DEC 18 Instate / Funeral Mass 09:30AM - 10:00AM

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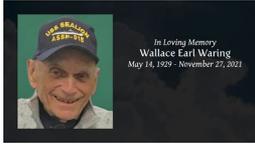
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53600 Mound, Shelby Twp., MI, US, 48316

Comments



“ A tribute video has been added.



Wujek ~ Calcaterra & Sons, Inc. - December 13, 2021 at 05:35 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Wallace Earl Waring.



December 17, 2021 at 10:42 AM



“ My deepest condolences to you and your family on the passing of your Father. He was such a kind man. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Dawn Daniels - December 16, 2021 at 11:06 PM



“ Amy, David, James, and Thomas Waring. purchased the Blessed Heart for the family of Wallace Earl Waring.



Tom Waring - December 16, 2021 at 10:42 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Wallace Earl Waring.



December 15, 2021 at 01:15 PM



“ Susan, Michael, John and Patrick. purchased the Heavenly Light for the family of Wallace Earl Waring.



Susan, Michael, John and Patrick. - December 15, 2021 at 11:02 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Wallace Earl Waring.



December 15, 2021 at 09:43 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Wallace Earl Waring.



December 14, 2021 at 11:12 AM



“ My Name is Barbara Howard and I knew Wally and Janice only for a little bit. But I wanted to say that I always enjoyed visiting with them and I can remember one time talking with them and Wally was wearing a WWII hat. When I asked him about being in the war he said he was on a Navy ship in WWII. I told him my Father was also and I thanked him for his service. I always felt especially close to them after that visit. My heart is full of prayers for Janice and the family at this time. I believe Wally was such a nice man and a good man. I know God has a special place for him in heaven. With much respect and admiration -- my thoughts and prayers are with you all at this time.
Sincerely,
Barbara Ruggles Howard
Sr BOA for John Downey

Barbara Ruggles Howard - December 14, 2021 at 11:03 AM



“ The grandchildren of Wallace E. Waring. purchased the Divine Light for the family of Wallace Earl Waring.



Tom Waring - December 13, 2021 at 04:52 PM



“ I was sorry to read of Mr. Warings' passing. I was a student of Mr. Waring and Miss Seavoy at Goodale in the fifties. It was good to read of his full life.

Godfrey Ross

Godfrey Ross - December 12, 2021 at 02:25 PM



“ I became acquainted with Wally when he started work at Wolcott Mill Historic Center. This became a quarter-century relationship as co-worker, teacher, and friend. His background in teaching and his love for working with kids made him a natural in park interpretation. I always marveled at the many innovative ways he came up with to make history fun and understandable for the young. Even though I had been in park interpretation for many years, he opened new inspiration for me to grow in my own field of work. What a treasure for the Metroparks, park visitors, and me to have known this kind and easy going man. We will all miss you!

Bill Thomas

Bill Thomas - December 07, 2021 at 02:23 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Wallace Earl Waring.



December 07, 2021 at 01:50 PM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Wallace Earl Waring.



December 05, 2021 at 06:38 PM



“ Wally and Janice became a part of our family when their son Dave married our daughter Holly. We've shared so many memories with them both when we became grandparents of our grandchildren Taylor and Michael. Going to the Bounce House on the kids birthdays for many years then all of us attending Taylor's many dance recitals and Michael's basketball and football games and track. Through it all we became friends. Wally was a loving husband, father, and grandfather. Even as he grew sicker he always had a warm friendly smile. The last time we saw Wally was at Michael's birthday. We could tell he was having a hard time just sitting but he smiled and seemed to enjoy being with everyone. You will be missed by everyone who came in contact with you. Our deepest and sincere condolences to Janice and the family. God is waiting for you. There will be no more pain. Love, Betty and Dan

Betty and Dan Ganish - December 05, 2021 at 12:03 AM



“ My Sincere Sympathy to the Waring Family. I will always remember Wally as a Wonderful Friend. We had so many memories together, as our young families grew up together. He will be missed by so many. RIP, my Dear Friend.....

Paul Spitale

Paul Spitale - December 04, 2021 at 10:51 AM



“ I was actually searching another obituary on Wujek-Calcaterra's website when I saw this face I knew from years ago. I did my student teaching at Gabriel Richard, in special needs, with Diane Bellock in 1972. As soon as I saw Mr. Waring's face in his obit, I felt all sorts of positivity & goodness and loved reading the wonderful testimonial to his life. I remember well his smile & the kindness for students & staff. His goodness continues to impact. God bless you in all the moments you will miss him.

Mary Hoste Reith

Mary Reith - December 04, 2021 at 09:08 AM



“ Wally is a treasure that we've lost. This saddens me greatly. I worked, but mostly learned from him during my years at Wolcott Historical mill. I found him to be a wealth of information on so many subjects. All of this was shared generously by Wally. He was the creator of so many programs at the mill that still go on. He was such an optimistic person to be around, always a delight! I can't watch the movie Holiday Inn without thinking with a smile about Wally and his comments about the movie. Not many can compare to this great man. I love him and am grateful for the special times I was able to spend with him. God bless Wally! Heaven is getting a great man!

Sharon - December 02, 2021 at 08:24 PM



“ My Dad loved God, Family and Country. He lived life fully as a son, cousin, husband, father, uncle, grandfather, great-grandfather, godfather, Naval submariner, an athlete, a teacher and as an historian. Love you forever. We miss you dearly. Rest In Peace, Dad

Tom Waring - December 01, 2021 at 07:47 PM