



Claude Siders

September 28, 1948 - November 1, 2023

Claude Siders, 75, of Foster City peacefully passed away Wednesday, November 1, 2023, at his home surrounded by his family.

Claude was born Sept. 28, 1948, in Versailles, OH, son of the late Claude Jr. and Ruth (Ditzenburger) Siders. He earned a Master's Degree in Education and was a teacher and administrator for the public school system, retiring from North Dickinson Schools. In his retirement years he enjoyed the simple pleasures: walking, hiking, biking, golfing, gardening, kayaking, cooking, beekeeping and planting and tending trees. He kept an old Allis Chalmers tractor on the go, and the grandkids loved to get rides. He especially enjoyed winter trips to Florida and the friendships he made there.

Along with his parents, he is preceded in death by 2 brothers, Carl Siders and Roy Lee Homan.

Claude is survived by his wife, Gretchen; a son, Caleb (Audrey) Siders; a daughter, Autumn (Dave) Kalin; 3 stepchildren, Madeline (Dylan) Dennocenzo, Paul (Lisa) Cousineau, and Thomas Cousineau; grandchildren, Jessica Kalin and Bailey (Gage) Colley, Evelyn and Maxwell Siders, Taylor and Ethan Dennocenzo, Sven, Lina and SJ Cousineau; 2 sisters, Phyllis (Sam) Cotrell and Gladys Peeples; a brother, Jim (Sharon) Siders; mother and father-in-law, Wayne and Janet Nelson; 2 sisters-in-law, Janet Homan and

Kris (Gus) Murray; 2 brothers-in-law, Ken (Malou) Nelson and Robert (Connie) Nelson; and many nieces and nephews.

The family would like to extend a special thanks to Dickinson Home Health and Hospice and Dr. Daniel McMahon for their extraordinary care during this time.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, Nov. 4th from 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall at the Mission Covenant Church in Foster City. A brief memorial service will take place at 4:30 pm.

Condolences to the family of Claude Siders may be expressed online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com

The family has entrusted the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home of Iron Mountain with the arrangements.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 4. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Mission Covenant Church
W2376 Cemetery Road
Foster City, MI 49834

Tribute Wall



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Claude Siders.



November 03, 2023 at 09:35 PM



“ Khea and Rob planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Claude Siders.

Khea and Rob - November 03, 2023 at 09:35 PM



“ I was saddened to learn of Claude’s passing. Our tenure as Superintendents overlapped for several years, Claude at North Dickinson and mine at the Dickinson-Iron I.S.D. His counsel, collegial friendship and willingness to be a contributing member of the greater Dickinson and Iron Counties educational leadership team were always appreciated. Yet, his #1 role and responsibility was as a leader and advocate of education within and on behalf of the North Dickinson Schools, inclusive of all students, families, staff and the community-at-large. As you grieve during this difficult time, may God offer you peace and comfort in the many shared memories and knowledge of a life well lived.

Johanna Ostwald

Johanna - November 03, 2023 at 05:16 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Claude Siders.*



November 03, 2023 at 12:21 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Claude Siders.*



November 03, 2023 at 11:24 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Claude Siders.*



November 03, 2023 at 11:03 AM



“ *Always going to remember all the fun and fellowship we had on card playing night. Good friends, good food and plenty of laughter. Our sympathy to the family and know that we grieve your loss along with you.*

Melzee Jacobson - November 02, 2023 at 11:29 PM

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“ I met Claude in his first day as Superintendent of North Dickinson Schools. Betsy Trumbell and I were hoisting library tables out of the school window (!) to have them refinished but quite sure Claude was wondering who we were and exactly what were we doing? We often laughed about it in the years that followed.

It was a humorous introduction to a sincere friendship in the shared mission of education and opportunity for the kids in this wonderful community.

I offer my deepest condolences to Gretchen and their dear family.

May good memories give you peace and comfort in the days ahead.

With Love, Elsa

Elsa Brule - November 02, 2023 at 07:09 PM

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“ Our sympathy to all of you. Claude was a very active member of the school and community. He will be missed! Rest in peace and May God give you all strength at this difficult time.

Mark and Tind Anderson - November 02, 2023 at 05:44 PM