



Maurice F. Pearson

July 11, 1929 - February 10, 2016

Maurice F. Pearson, age 86, of Holly, passed away on Feb. 10, 2016. Funeral services will be held at 11:30 AM Fri. Feb. 12, 2016 at the Dryer Funeral Home, Holly, with Pastor Cliff Schroeder officiating. Military honors and burial will be at Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly. Visitation will be from 2-5 and 7-9 PM Thurs. Mr. Pearson was born in Holly on July 11, 1929, the son of Joshua and Mae (Smith) Pearson. While at Holly High School he played football and was a member of the ROTC. After High School in 1947, he was offered an apprenticeship with a local plumbing company and later worked construction. In 1948 he began a 39-year career with Ford. With the war in full swing, he took a leave from Ford and served in the United States Marine Corp from 1950-1953. He was stationed at Paris Island, SC and a few other places, before heading to the Pacific. Before his military career ended, he had earned the rank of Sergeant. He married Sue Patterson on Aug. 24, 1952. Maury (Sarge), has been actively involved in the Holly Area Community since the early 50's. He umpired little League from 1959-64, was the Cub Scout Master from 1960-68, head usher at Calvary United Methodist Church from 1985-2003 and a member since 1952. His family was chosen Holly's family of the year in 1986. Sarge is a member of the Holly American Legion and served as post Commander in 1988 and 1989. He was also a member of the Holly Veterans firing squad. He was a Guide for UAW Local 898 for 27 years. In addition, he was honored for 50 years of service to the Holly Athletic Department and was inducted into the Broncho Hall of Fame. He began

volunteering in 1961. Since those early days, Sarge has been willing to do anything for the coaches and student-athletes of HHS. He held the office of Booster President from 1968-1975 and was named Booster of the year in 1975. For the last 13 years you could find Sarge in the ticket booth at the Karl Richter Campus, teasing and pleasantly harassing the kids and all who entered the gate. Maurice is survived by his loving children Josh (Joice) Pearson, Judy (Matthew) Johnson, and Jim (Joyce) Pearson; 3 grandchildren, Kyle (Nicole) Johnson, Lisa (Pete) Lapczynski and Keith (Ann Marie McKenney) Johnson.; 2 great-grandsons Evan Johnson and Nathan Lapczynski and Baby Boy Johnson due in May; and brother Robert (Barbara) Pearson. He was preceded in death by his wife of 51 years Sue; sister Joan Heck, his parents, and step- father Harry (Pa) Demode. Memorial donations may be made to Calvary United Methodist Church or the Holly Athletic Boosters. www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com

Cemetery Details

Great Lakes National Cemetery

Holly, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 11. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Dryer Funeral Home
101 First St
Holly, MI 48442
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Visitation

FEB 11. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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Service

FEB 12. 11:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Dryer Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Maurice F. Pearson*



Dryer Funeral Home, Inc. - February 12, 2016 at 09:00 AM

MP

“ *Josh, Judy and Jim,*

I'm so sorry to hear of your dad's passing. I wish I could be there to see you and celebrate his life. I'm wondering if his picture on this site is recent because if it is he did not change at all. He still looks the same as I remember him (maybe his hair has a little more grey). I'll bet Maury and dad are already in conversation and having a few laughs. Cherish your memories, and know that you are in my thoughts (pretty frequently even before learning of your dad's passing) and prayers.

Michelle (Truxton) Parker

p.s. - Please tell Joice, Matt and Joyce "hello" for me.

Michelle (Truxton) Parker - February 16, 2016 at 06:50 PM

KF

“ I am so sorry to hear about your father passing, my thoughts and prayers are being sent to you at this difficult time Love to you all
Kim Freymiller



Kim Freymiller - February 16, 2016 at 11:41 AM

JP

Thanks Kim and Sorry about your dad. He was a very nice guy.

Josh Pearson - February 19, 2016 at 09:54 AM

DS

“ Hi Josh, It's been awhile since we have spoken. About 9 years since I was able to leave Rawsonville. I remember you talking about your Dad while we were "giving birth" to #19 UBE machine. Who ever thought that those would be the "good ol' days!" I was still an apprentice at Ford when I lost my Dad so if you would like to talk to someone that has been in the shoes that you are now walking in, get my phone number from Bob Wittig.
David Dart



David Dart Sr - February 15, 2016 at 03:14 PM

SH

“ Dear Jim & Joyce: We would like to send our deepest sympathy on your loss of your father. We all know how difficult it is to lose a parent. Our hearts and prayers go out to you during this difficult time.
Love always,
Steve & Sue Hatten

Sue Hatten - February 12, 2016 at 04:30 AM

JB

“ Pearson Family you are in our thoughts and prayers during the loss of your Dad! He was a great friend to our family as well as the community! You should be proud! He will be greatly missed.

John and CJ Brummeler

John Brummeler - February 11, 2016 at 04:08 PM

JP

Thanks John and CJ. Dad had stories about your mom and dad he would talk about. Thank you

Josh Pearson - February 19, 2016 at 09:57 AM

DN

“ We would like to send our sympathy to the family. Mo was a great friend and neighbor loved to visit with him at the alumni banquet . He will be sadly missed. Don and Kaye Welton

Don Welton neighbor - February 11, 2016 at 03:24 PM

UR

“ UAW 898 Retirees purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Maurice F. Pearson.



UAW 898 Retirees - February 11, 2016 at 02:31 PM

DP

“ With all of our Deepest Sympathy to the family of Maurice, be strong and God Bless You! Craig, Diane & Kyle Preston

Diane Preston - February 11, 2016 at 02:18 PM

JP

Thanks Craig, Diane and Kyle, Dad and mom where good friends with your family. Now they are all together.

Josh Pearson - February 19, 2016 at 10:00 AM

TG

“ The Buchanan Family! Buck & Gloria; Travis & Meghan & girls purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Maurice F. Pearson.



The Buchanan Family! Buck & Gloria; Travis & Meghan & girls - February 11, 2016 at 01:09 PM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Maurice F. Pearson.



February 11, 2016 at 11:35 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Maurice F. Pearson.



February 11, 2016 at 08:07 AM

EM

“ Grandpa Pearson was a staple at Storm soccer games growing up. His support from grade school through high school made a big impact on many of Kyle's and Keith's friends. He will be missed. Love you Grandpa Pearson - Eddie & Lacey Miller

Ed Miller - February 10, 2016 at 06:34 PM



“ Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Maurice F. Pearson.



February 10, 2016 at 06:26 PM

CR

“ Thoughts and prayers Judy, I'm sorry for your loss



Carla Rigsby - February 10, 2016 at 06:20 PM

LR

“ Lorne & Penny Raupp sent a virtual gift in memory of Maurice F. Pearson



Lorne & Penny Raupp - February 10, 2016 at 05:44 PM

TM

“ So sorry to hear of Maury passing. What a wonderful fulfilling life he led. Always ready to lend a helping hand and when our grandkids stayed with us and waited for the bus to pick them up, he would come out and throw snowballs with them...a good man....Tom and Butchie

tom & Butchie Mackey - February 10, 2016 at 05:40 PM

DA

“ David Allan lit a candle in memory of Maurice F. Pearson



David Allan - February 10, 2016 at 05:17 PM

DA

What a wonderful man he was. I was so lucky to have him a my Pack Leader and Booster. He was an example of how good people conduct themselves to all of us kids.

David Allan - February 10, 2016 at 05:31 PM

JP

Thanks Dave He love helping kids

Josh Pearson - February 19, 2016 at 10:03 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Maurice F. Pearson.



February 10, 2016 at 04:03 PM

SP

“ *Semper Fi*



Suzanne Prose - February 10, 2016 at 03:46 PM

JP

Thanks Suzanne, dad was Happy seeing you on Vets. day in Holly. He was very proud of you. Thanks again

Josh Pearson - February 19, 2016 at 10:06 AM

BM

“ *Bud & Kay Mendez purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Maurice F. Pearson.*



Bud & Kay Mendez - February 10, 2016 at 03:21 PM

JM

“ *Maurey and his "gang" at the Holly McDonalds once glued a quarter to the floor to entertain themselves with a lady that was rich but would pick up all the change in the whole parking lot and floors. Boy they laughed about that for a few years. I will miss my friend but will always be proud to call him just that, my friend*

Judith McKeny - February 10, 2016 at 03:08 PM

JK

“ *Jinx M. Kincaid lit a candle in memory of Maurice F. Pearson*



Jinx M. Kincaid - February 10, 2016 at 02:38 PM

JP

Thank you

Josh Pearson - February 19, 2016 at 10:04 AM

JP

“ *Judy Prose lit a candle in memory of Maurice F. Pearson*



Judy Prose - February 10, 2016 at 02:27 PM

JP

Another of Calvary's warriors. Deepest sympathy to Josh, Judy, and Jim.

Judy Prose - February 10, 2016 at 02:29 PM

WF

We extend our Deepest sympathy to Josh, Judy & Jim. May you find peace in knowing you will one day be united. Randy & Wendy Fishback

Wendy Fishback - February 11, 2016 at 11:39 AM

JP

Thanks Judy, we miss seeing you at church. Take care

Josh Pearson - February 19, 2016 at 10:08 AM

LL

“ *What would my childhood have been like without Mr. Pearson? I spent so much time in the Pearson home, with laughter and love and wonderful meals, that Maury probably thought he had another daughter. He was my best friend's father, our dear neighbor, and an ever-present part of our years in the Holly schools. Maury was kind and loving to his family and to all of us who became his extended family. I will miss you Mr. Pearson/Maury.
With love and thanks for having known you.
LuAnn (Truxton) Longstreth*

LuAnn Longstreth - February 10, 2016 at 01:05 PM

JP

Thanks LuAnn, you were a sister like. He was always happy to have kids over. Thanks again friend

Josh Pearson - February 19, 2016 at 10:10 AM