



## Douglas O. Schoener

August 20, 1962 - April 14, 2020

Douglas Otto Schoener, age 57, of New Baltimore, passed away on April 14, 2020, in McLaren Macomb Hospital, due to complications with Covid 19. He was born on August 20, 1962, in Detroit. He married Deanne M. Hillebrand on October 10, 1986, in Warren.

Doug graduated from Roseville High School, also attended Lutheran High School North. He was an employee of the University of Michigan, in Ann Arbor. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, woodworking and spending time with family and friends. He enjoyed his Friday nights.

He is survived by his wife, Deanne, daughter Holly Schoener, mother, Muriel Schoener, twin sister, Diana (Jack) Curtis, brother, David Paul (Judy) Schoener II, sisters-in-law; Joyce (Don) Holmes and Janet (Art) Trottier, along with several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, David Paul Schoener Sr., father-in-law and mother-in-law; William and Shirley Hillebrand, niece, Audrey Nanni, brother-in-law, Steven Hillebrand.

Private funeral services will be held on Monday in Resurrection Cemetery.

Visiting will be Sunday, April 19, 2020 from 3:00pm until 7:00pm in the Jowett Funeral Home – 57737 Gratiot, New Haven.

Memorial contributions can be made to the American Diabetes Association.

View obituary and share memories at [www.jowettfuneraldirectors.com](http://www.jowettfuneraldirectors.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Resurrection Cemetery

18201 Clinton River Road  
Clinton Twp., MI 48038

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 19. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Jowett Funeral Home and Cremation Service - New Haven  
57737 Gratiot Avenue  
New Haven, MI 48048  
(586) 749-9585  
jowettfamily@comcast.net  
<https://www.jowettfuneraldirectors.com>

# Tribute Wall

MN

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. Doug's death was a complete shock to me and you have my heartfelt condolences. Doug was my friend and a steadfast colleague. He was just a nice, pleasant person who always smiled and tried to resolve others problems. Without Doug's professionalism and flexibility, the scheduling and moves for the monster GGBrown addition/renovation and Lay Auto Lab renovation moves would not have been accomplished in the successful manner in which they were. Doug and I worked closely on three years worth of intense moves; scheduling, rescheduling, modifying, etc. these tedious and important moving assignments. He and his staff understood the complexities of biological and chemical laboratory moves not to mention the large manufacturing equipment moves and all other laboratory and office moves. When I was in a bind, I knew who to call and he never failed me. Doug always stopped by when I was overwhelmed with these moves and he lended a positive and confident approach when events seemed dire. His words "we'll get this done", saw me through many of these difficult moving ordeals. He and his staff never received much thanks, which is a shame, because they deserved a world of thanks. I tried on numerous occasions, but Doug just laughed, thanked me and said it was just part of his job.

Matthew Navarre

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Matthew Navarre - May 13, 2020 at 03:50 PM

AL

“ I've started typing and deleted three times now. There are no words to describe how unbelievable this is. Thank you for the love and friendship you brought to our family for all of these years. I honestly can't remember a time when you weren't around. I can picture you outside the house on Victor, goofy shorts and those white tube socks with the different colors on the top looking all 80's fabulous. Goofing around in the pool. Watching your wedding video and thinking that you and Deanne were like a real life Ken and Barbie. You coming over right after I had Bethany saying over and over "I can't believe you had a baby!"

You have always been with us- for mom, Paul, pops- and it's stupid we can't celebrate your life the way you deserve, but this damn virus can't take all the love and memories. Thank you for being my other big brother.

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**Alison** - April 20, 2020 at 07:42 AM

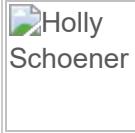
AW

“ Allen W. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Douglas O. Schoener.



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**Allen W.** - April 18, 2020 at 01:05 PM



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Holly Schoener - April 17, 2020 at 11:09 PM



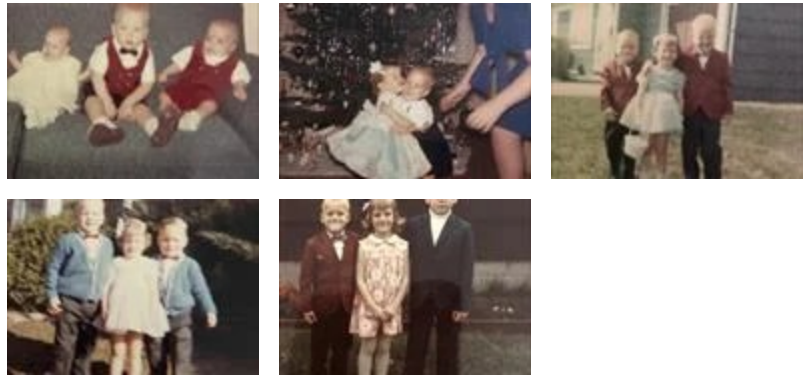
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Jennifer L Torres - April 17, 2020 at 08:49 PM



“ To my billion dollar baby! My heart breaks more than you will ever know. I love you.



muriel - April 17, 2020 at 04:43 PM

JE

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Jenn - April 17, 2020 at 04:25 PM



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Bradley Grunewald - April 17, 2020 at 01:14 PM

BW

“ *Doug was a great guy with a can-do attitude and it was always a pleasure to speak and work with him. He brought his positivity to work with him. I enjoyed talking to him about his hobbies as much as about work. He'll be missed, and my thoughts and prayers go out to all his co-workers, friends, and especially his family. God Bless!*

*Brandon Wunderley*

Brandon Wunderley - April 16, 2020 at 05:49 PM

PT

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Doug was a great man. He was such a pleasure to work with. Whenever I needed something I would just call and he would get things scheduled and was always more than willing to get things taken care of.  
We would always talk a little hunting and fishing when I would see him.  
I called Doug when he was on vacation and he didn't tell me that he was on vacation until he had answered my question. The last thing I said to Doug was. "Enjoy the rest of your vacation".  
With my deepest sympathy,

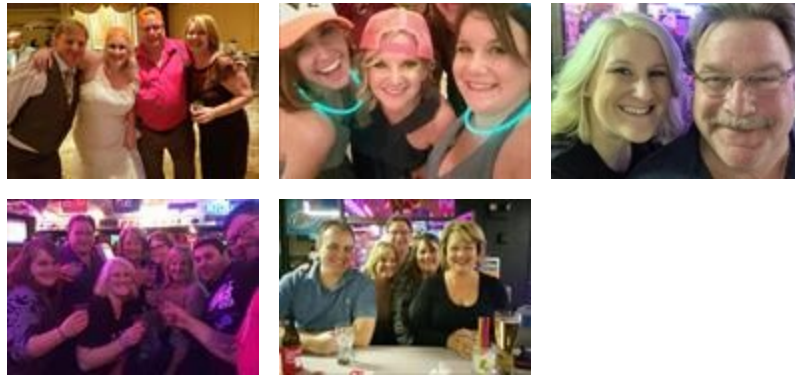
*Paul Thurmond*

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**Paul Thurmond** - April 16, 2020 at 02:43 PM



“ Just a few more examples of how Uncle Doug lit up every place he went into.



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**Amanda Wesolek** - April 16, 2020 at 01:48 PM

KF

“ Doug was always a pleasure to work with, and pulled off a few scheduling miracles for the Rackham Facilities Office. He will be greatly missed.

*Karen Forbes*

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**Karen Forbes** - April 16, 2020 at 12:24 PM

GC

“ Doug and his team of movers worked on a lot of projects over the years with me - Always professional and creative in the challenges of each move. Thank you for sharing him with us at U/M. Thoughts and prayers for his home family and his work family.

*Gail Chapman*

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**Gail Chapman** - April 16, 2020 at 10:45 AM

MK

“ Doug was a great partner to the City of Ann Arbor and Ann Arbor Fire Department / Emergency Management. Doug assisted with logistics for barriers for Michigan Stadium events and recently assisted us with a barrier project. He was a terrific person, and a great ambassador for the University of Michigan in working with external partners. He was very positive and willing to make things happen. He will be missed.

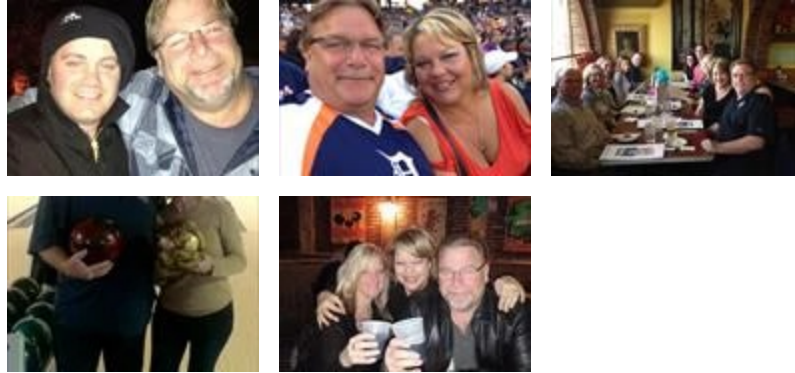
*Mike Kennedy, Fire Chief  
City of Ann Arbor*

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**Mike Kennedy** - April 16, 2020 at 09:54 AM

DC

“ Doug lit up the room and always had a good time! Sharing some favorite memories.



Diana Curtis - April 16, 2020 at 09:19 AM

SC

“ I met Doug while working UM Football games. Anytime I need help he would gladly assist. He was a fantastic person and I was devastated to hear of his passing. Prayers and hugs to Doug's family, I will think of him often. Bill Clock AAPD

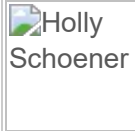
Sgt Bill Clock - April 16, 2020 at 09:13 AM

Holly Schoener

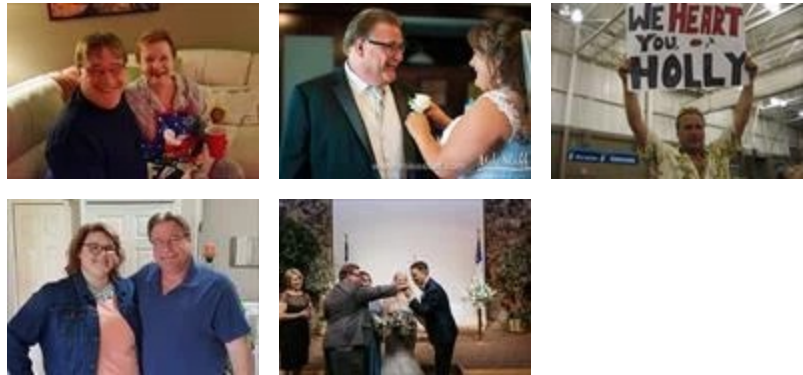
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Holly Schoener - April 15, 2020 at 10:02 PM



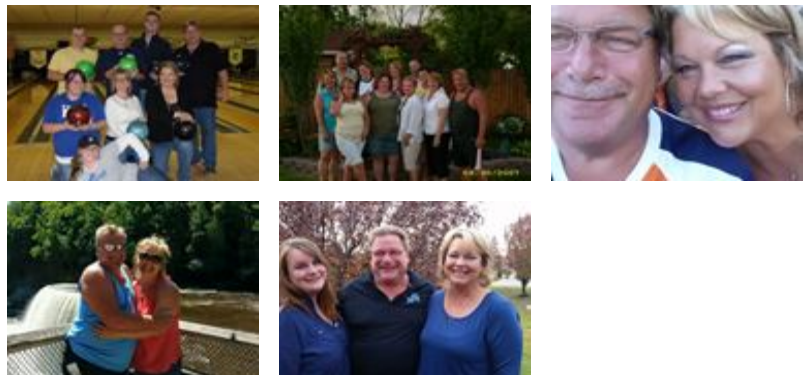
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Holly Schoener - April 15, 2020 at 09:52 PM



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Jowett Funeral Home and Cremation Service - April 15, 2020 at 07:43 PM

KS

“ Doug hired me to work for him at UofM in 2013 and I'll be forever grateful he gave me that opportunity. Over the past 7 years our department has grown and changed a lot but the one constant that remained was Doug. I'll never forget his famous steak cookouts during football tailgates or the popcorn machine he brought from home that was always full of fresh popcorn. He was so easy going and truly enjoyed bringing people together. He was such a kind and good natured person and am thankful to have had the chance to work for and learn from him over the years. My thoughts and prayers go out to his family. Moving and Trucking won't be the same without him.

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**Ken Seyfried** - April 15, 2020 at 06:32 PM

DP

“ Doug Schoener what a light you were. I am so happy we reconnected. What a dear kind wonderful sweet man you became. I am so happy I was given the opportunity to know you again. It's a shame life gets in the way sometimes. We forget what's important to us. Truly the funny man that lite up the room when he walked in. You kept the wonderful boyish smile that you always had. Fly high my friend I will see you again one day.  
Love Dorene

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**Dorene Phan** - April 15, 2020 at 06:28 PM

GW

“ My deepest sympathies and prayers to the family. I knew Doug through work supporting his group for several years. I will always reflect fondly on the memories of my interactions with Doug and his energy, cheerfulness and friendly nature. Recently his office moved across the hall from me and I enjoyed running in to him more and sharing stories with him. The thing I will remember most was his smile. I will miss you Doug.

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**Gene Weincouff** - April 15, 2020 at 05:47 PM

JJ

“ I met Doug in 1984 we worked together at Paramount fabrication in Detroit. We quickly became good friends. He was dating Deanne at the time, and i got to know the wonderful bride to be. Doug met my good friend Don Holmes, and then they became friends too. I remember leaving in 1988 to go to basic training in the coast guard, and doug, and his toddler daughter Holly were waving goodbye to me as i was leaving my house. Its something that has stuck with me all these years. Doug had a way of touching everyone in his own way. I will miss my good friend Doug, but he will always be in my memories. He was truly a special person. With, a warm, and heavy heart your friend Jerry Check II.

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**Jerry Check II** - April 15, 2020 at 03:33 PM

MA

“ I am sending my deepest condolences. Doug was an all around good man to be around. He brightened up a room with his smile, cared for his family beyond words and shared his sense of humor with us all. I'm lucky enough to have worked with him these past few years and he has created an lasting effect on my life. Thank you, Doug! My thoughts and prayers go out to your family during this time.

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**Marissa** - April 15, 2020 at 02:06 PM

NC

“ My deepest condolences to the family for this great loss; it is ours too. And I thank you for sharing Doug with us here at the University. His bright and cheerful smile, his bold and infectious laugh, and jovial, good-natured presence was always welcomed; he will be missed. May the prayers and fond memories that are shared with you bring some comfort at this trying time.

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**Nancy, a co-worker** - April 15, 2020 at 12:41 PM

SL

*Our prayers are with the family of Doug, LHN classmates, Philip and Susan Lowe*

Susan Farnsworth Lowe - April 15, 2020 at 06:57 PM



“ *I send my deepest sympathies to the family. Doug always had a smile on his face every time i ever saw him....i will miss that so much. One of my many memories of dear Doug is when he recently introduced me to his daughter who was working at the Ross School. His face lite up and the pride he had for his daughter will always be the memory i will carry with me....one of love and joy. I will miss you friend.... Ann Zalucki*

Ann Louise - April 15, 2020 at 12:24 PM

RB

“ *Doug was a great guy to work with at UM. He assisted me with many moves in our NERS facilities over all of the years I've been at UM. He was always helpful, a pleasure to work with, provided very knowledgeable professional expertise, and followed up to make sure his crews did a great job for his customers. We have had numerous unique situations for moving & trucking to handle, since we had the Nuclear Reactor on campus, and Doug tackled each one with a pleasant and creative attitude. Doug and I have known each other at UM for a long time, having some great discussions of how different we did things back when we both started at UM, often sharing some great stories and job memories. He will be missed tremendously by me and our department will miss his wonderful service. My sympathy to all his family & close friends.*  
*Rob Blackburn*

Rob Blackburn - April 15, 2020 at 12:22 PM

CR

“ I knew and worked with Doug for several years. His positive outlook, pride in his work, and all around friendliness made him liked and respected by countless people at UM. He was simply a fun guy to be around and his constant smile was infectious. I will miss him dearly and my heart is with his family members.

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**Chris Riggs** - April 15, 2020 at 10:18 AM