



Frederic "Fred" C. Witter Sr.

June 6, 1945 - June 4, 2021

Frederic C. "Fred" Witter Sr., age 75 of Fort Gratiot Township passed away on June 4, 2021 unexpectedly. He was born on June 6, 1945 in Port Huron. He married his loving wife of 52 years, Kay L. Sharrard on August 3, 1968 in Port Huron who preceded him in death on May 29, 2021.

Fred graduated from Port Huron High School in 1963. He attended Port Huron Junior College before transferring to Western Michigan University where he earned his Bachelor's Degree in secondary education. He taught 36 years for the Port Huron Area School system all of which was at Chippewa Middle School. He enjoyed teaching his students in various subjects and was proud to have started the Hooked On Fishing-Not On Drugs for the 6th grade students. He was a member of the Port Huron Education Association, Michigan Education Association, National Education Association, Michigan Association of Retired School Personnel and the Blue Water Sport Fishing Association.

Family was a major focus of Fred's time, especially his three granddaughters. He enjoyed his time with his grandchildren which included rides to and from school, trips out east and talking and texting with them daily when he couldn't see them. He enjoyed woodworking and building furniture, toys and birdhouses for his family and friends. He also enjoyed the Detroit Tigers from a young age whether watching from home, Tiger Stadium or Comerica Park.

He was an avid golfer and fisherman for most of his adult life. He never missed an opportunity to fish, whether on the ice or in his boat. The same can be said for golfing as he was once able to golf all 12 months of the year here in Michigan and even recently got a hole in one.

Fred is survived by; daughter, Kristy (Craig) Snelgrove; son, Eric (Raechel) Witter; granddaughters Madison Snelgrove, Avery and Delaney Witter; sister and brother-in-law Barbara and Gary Dummitt; nephews Scott and Chuck Dummitt; Fred is also survived by special friends; Eric, Kim, Marissa, and Andrea Hartman; in-laws; Ted and Linda Kearns and Ruth Snelgrove; and numerous cousins, their families; as well as his golf and fishing friends. Fred also loved taking his dog, Webster, for morning walks after reading the paper and having his cup of coffee.

Fred was preceded in death by his mother Dorothy Witter Fry; Father Gerald Witter; mother-in-law Lorraine Sharrard; numerous Aunts and Uncles; and good friends Dave Naplin and Ed Bean.

Funeral services for both Kay and Fred will be Tuesday, June 15 at 12:00pm (noon) in the Jowett Funeral Home, 1634 Lapeer Avenue, Port Huron. Minister Shaun Laurain will officiate. Burial to take place in Lakeside Cemetery. Visiting hours will be 4pm-8pm on Monday, June 14 and Tuesday, June 15 from 11am until time of services at noon at the funeral home.

Memorial tributes can be made to Karmanos Cancer Institute or Blue Water Area Humane Society. Jowett Funeral Home is privileged to assist the family with arrangements. To view the obituary and share memories, please visit www.jowettfuneraldirectors.com

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **14**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Jowett Funeral Home and Cremation Service - Port Huron
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JUN **15**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

RU

“ *Mr. Witter was my favorite teacher and he always will be. May he rest in peace.* ”

Rusty - December 03, 2023 at 01:26 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Frederic "Fred" C. Witter Sr..* ”



June 23, 2021 at 12:36 PM

KL

“ *Mr. Witter will always hold a special place in my heart. He taught me how important it was to work hard in school but still have fun. He was always laughing and loved to tease in a good hearted manner. It was evident that he loved his job and helping people. He was one of my favorite teachers and inspired me to become a teacher myself. I know he touched many lives of young adolescents!* ”

Karen Chidester Lay - June 16, 2021 at 11:07 PM



“ *Joyful Memory was purchased for the family of Frederic "Fred" C. Witter Sr..* ”



June 14, 2021 at 01:02 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Frederic "Fred" C. Witter Sr..*



June 14, 2021 at 11:12 AM



“ *Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Frederic "Fred" C. Witter Sr..*



June 14, 2021 at 06:34 AM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Charles Renny - June 13, 2021 at 06:05 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Frederic "Fred" C. Witter Sr..*



June 12, 2021 at 07:21 PM

TM

“ *The Naplins Pam, Eric/Leah. Lee/Laura. Mark/Megan purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Frederic "Fred" C. Witter Sr..*



The Naplins Pam, Eric/Leah. Lee/Laura. Mark/Megan - June 12, 2021 at 03:40 PM



“ *59 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Jowett Funeral Home and Cremation Service - June 11, 2021 at 04:56 PM

MB

“ *Fred was always one of the good guys in school. It was always a joy to see you and Kay at reunions. Love to your family.*

Max Don Brown - June 10, 2021 at 03:46 AM

RR

“ Kristy and Eric I can't tell you how sorry I am at the loss of your parents. They were Great people that obviously loved their family with all their Hearts. It was always fun to be with them. I will miss our phone conversations and feel lucky and honored to have called both of them my Friends. They were certainly Special people. My thoughts are with you both during this difficult time.

Rich Rennon - June 09, 2021 at 06:07 PM

RS

“ I had a great chat on Thursday, June 3rd with Fred while Webster sat at his feet. I told Fred to keep golfing, fishing, boating as Kay would not want him sitting around. Fred recognized that he had to look after his health so he could see his granddaughters graduate. Fred promised once the border opens up we would get together for lunch. I regret missing that gathering but will always treasure my happy memories.
Love Ruth

Ruth Snelgrove - June 09, 2021 at 10:09 AM

BL

“ We are so sorry for the loss of your parents. They were part of our lives for over 40 years. They were so thoughtful of others. We will miss them. Many good memories.
Donna and Bill Lill

Bill and Donna Lill - June 08, 2021 at 12:50 PM

JB

“ No words will ever express our deepest condolences. So unexpected and so very sad. We pray that Kristy and Eric along with their families are buoyed by the love their parents shared for each other and for them. Fred's kindness to my kids and I was always so genuine and warm....just like Kay. Many hugs.

Love,
Julie, Jim, Parker and Charley

Julie Brenner - June 07, 2021 at 05:27 PM

DO

“ Danny And Gladys Owen lit a candle in memory of Frederic "Fred" C. Witter Sr.



Danny and Gladys Owen - June 07, 2021 at 01:53 PM



“ Fred loved his family so much. He loved being with them. Fred and Kay are rejoicing in Heaven. All of us are still trying to understand. May all of our memories of Fred and Kay help us through these times. Thinking and praying of the Witter family.

Kim Randolph - June 06, 2021 at 09:40 PM