



Marvin Max Himmler

April 12, 1933 - October 19, 2022

Marvin (Marv) Max Himmler of Shelby Township, Michigan went to be with his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, on Wednesday, October 19, 2022 at the age of 89.

Marv was born on April 12, 1933 in Wenona, Illinois to Rev. Herbert and Ella (nee Strauch) Himmler. As a fourth generation Lutheran Church worker, he touched thousands of young lives in the classroom and was regarded as a greatly respected and admired teacher. He was called to serve at St. John Fraser (Michigan), St. John LaPorte (Indiana), Trinity Utica (Michigan), and Lutheran High North Macomb (Michigan). Many lives have been impacted as he coached several sports and directed the highly admired school band at Trinity Utica. He chose to glorify God by leading many adult Bible classes and singing in the Men's Choir.

Marv was an accomplished woodworker, a talented craftsman, and a skilled handyman. He displayed his God given abilities to build a car, several boats, and numerous beautiful pieces of art. As a faithful servant of God, he loved to help others and didn't hesitate to lend a hand to those in need.

He had a deep love for his family and was a great role model for everyone who knew him.

Marvin was preceded in death by his parents, Herbert and Ella Himmler, as well as his younger brother Arthur Himmler. He is survived by his beloved wife of 67 years, Margaret (Ream) Himmler, whom he married on July 9th, 1955 in Mio, Michigan. He is also survived by his children and their spouses: Sharon (Thomas) Reband, Gary (Kelly) Himmler, and Laura (Charles) Rink. Marv was blessed with 8 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his sister and her husband, Pauline (Gene) Harsted, and his sister-in-law, Noi Himmler. Family will receive friends for visitation Friday, October 21st from 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 8459 Hall Road (3 blocks east of Van Dyke Avenue, on the northside of Hall Road) Utica. Saturday, October 22nd he will lie in state at 10:00 a.m. until time of his funeral service at 11:00 a.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church, 45160 Van Dyke Avenue, Utica. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to the Win Graebner Scholarship Fund, 45160 Van Dyke Avenue, Utica, Michigan 48317 or the Haiti Lutheran Missionary Society. Please share a memory with his family at www.SullivanFuneralDirectors.com

Cemetery Details

Glen Eden Memorial Park - East

19810 26 Mile Rd
Macomb Township, MI 48042-1204

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **21**. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wm Sullivan and Son Funeral Home
8459 Hall Road
Utica, MI 48317
(586) 731-2411
utica@sullivanfh.com
<https://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com/>

Visitation

OCT **22**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Trinity Lutheran Church
45160 Van Dyke
Utica, MI 48317

Funeral Service

OCT **22**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Directors created a Tribute Video in memory of Marvin Max Himmler*



Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Directors - October 21, 2022 at 02:05 PM

BZ

Both of our children regarded Mr Himmler as one of their favorite teachers. He opened the Old Testament to all his students. We thank God for his service.

Byron and Donna Zuehlk - October 21, 2022 at 06:15 PM



“ *Sincere condolences from The McKay Family. So sorry for your loss.*

Barbara McKay - October 23, 2022 at 02:08 PM

MM

“*Marvin was one of the first persons that I met when was transferred to MI from TX in 1996. Marvin was a 2nd Tenor in the Men's Chorus and someone who welcomed me to that group of men. At rehearsals he was always one of the first that I would seek out. He usually had news from his TX family (Gary and Kelly Himmler) who had also been friends of ours and teachers for 2 of our 3 sons in Houston. Marvin had a huge impact on our joining Trinity shortly after arriving here. A couple of years later it was Marvin who phone-called me to be an Elder at Trinity. What a blessing that has been! And I owe it to Mr. Himmler's nomination and urging. We love you Marvin and look forward to seeing you again in heaven alongside our best friend and Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.*

Mike McGrady - October 22, 2022 at 11:22 AM

BD

“*Mr. Himmler was my 5th grade teacher, 5th and 6th grade band Director, 9th grade Religion teacher and now a part of our family. On behalf of the Ernie and Lue Dusterhoffs, please allow me to share our condolences with your family and pride in having him as a close family friend to my parents and a great influence on me and my siblings. Brad Dusterhoff*

Brad Dusterhoff - October 21, 2022 at 09:50 PM

JK

“*Fond memories of having Mr. Himmler for freshman year Old Testament in a portable. Great teacher--learned a lot! Rev. Joel Kaiser*

Joel Kaiser - October 21, 2022 at 09:05 PM

DS

“ With Deepest sympathy, I am very sorry for your loss. I remember one day dropping in on him with a friend and helping him work on one of his cars. A great man of God. Peace and comfort be with all the family and friends of Mr. Himmler

Dennis Sheppard - October 21, 2022 at 08:35 PM

RW

“ My sympathy to you and your family on the death of Marvin. I always greatly appreciated the support he gave to me during the times I was helping out down there at Trinity, and I remember him being my daughter's Old Testament teacher at LHN. God Bless,,
Rev. Lynn Witt

Rev. Lynn Witt - October 21, 2022 at 07:10 PM

VP

“ Always my favorite. My greatest mentor and teacher. My life has taken me to many places but he was always there when I came back to Trinity. Glad I was able to get one of his “JOY” woodworking projects. You are now in God's choir and band. Your light now shines with the other angels of Heaven. Our loss is great. Live in joy, Marge and Sharon.

Vivian (Smalley) Pytleski - October 21, 2022 at 11:59 AM

VP

from Vivian (Smalley) Pytleski

Vivian (Smalley) Pytleski - October 21, 2022 at 12:01 PM

BB

“ Sharon, very sorry. My thoughts and prayers are with you.
take care,
Bill

Bill Boza - October 21, 2022 at 10:53 AM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the
family of Marvin Max Himmler.



October 20, 2022 at 11:02 PM

HG

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with Marv's family! We were
privileged to serve with Marv in the late 1960's at Trinity Lutheran
Church and School. What a joy it was! May God bless and keep you
all as you await your reunion with your dear Marv in heaven.
Lynn and Helen (Zurstadt) Genter

Helen Genter - October 20, 2022 at 10:28 PM

FH

“ Marv was my Old Testament teacher freshman year at Lutheran High North and was one of my favorites. He did such a great job of introducing us to the Bible and making the study of scripture interesting - I'll always remember his class.

I was fortunate enough to spend time with him at Amy and Anna's basketball games. He was always so dignified, gentle and a class act and above all he demonstrated the Christian values that he taught us in his class.

While I'm sure he'll be missed I'm also sure he's now enjoying living in the presence of Jesus.

Fred Hohnstadt - October 20, 2022 at 10:03 PM

SC

“ I was lucky enough to live next door to Marv and Marge for over 22 years. I couldn't have had better neighbors.

Marv was a great man, and always liked him from the beginning. Very friendly, generous and genuine. I have never met a stronger Christian.

May God bless your soul and comfort Marge and family.

Your neighbor, Sal Cicala

Sal Cicala - October 20, 2022 at 09:40 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Marvin Max Himmler.



October 20, 2022 at 09:00 PM

JA

“ When I think of Marv he has a tuba in his hand, ready to lead the Utica Bavarians entertain. Our last visit with him & Marge was when we moved back to Michigan from our retirement home in Tennessee, where Sharon & husband visited us more than once. Such good people, who shared their love of life in the Lord. Love & prayers, Jo Ames

Joanne Ames - October 20, 2022 at 07:24 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Marvin Max Himmler.



October 20, 2022 at 06:09 PM

MF

“ I played for many years in a German band with Marv and others and also sang with him in the Four Hoarsemen, a group including Ed Dunklau and the sainted Bob Carpenter. Those were good times in Michigan. Our prayers are with Marge and family.

Mike and Chris Flandermeyer - October 20, 2022 at 05:54 PM

CS

Mr. Himmler was one of the best religion teachers I have ever had, his caring demeanor and his love for Christ shown through him. I graduated in 1985 and he was a wonderful man. My deepest condolences 🙏

Cynthia Swan - October 20, 2022 at 07:37 PM

CS

“ Sorry to hear of the passing of such a great teacher. Praying for the family at this great loss.

Candy (Wagner) Sager - October 20, 2022 at 04:12 PM

JP

“ So sad to hear of the passing of Mr. Himmler. One of my favorite teachers of all time and such a great man. Praying for comfort for your family.

John Poronto - October 20, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Marvin Max Himmler.



October 20, 2022 at 02:50 PM

SM

“ Me Himler always had a kind word or a funny anecdote... first day of freshman religion he stayed that the class would sing if anyone had to use the bathroom in the portable class- if we didn't want to hear singing go inside. He also taught me to “pop” the clutch on my car to get it started when it was giving me trouble. He will be missed

sonja Murphy - October 20, 2022 at 02:16 PM

LC

“ *Mr. Himmler has been in my life as long as I can remember. He was a wonderful and beloved teacher and band director. I would see him often either at Church or church events. A kind and compassionate man, it was always a pleasure to have a conversation with him.*

He will be missed by many, but especially his family. Remember all of your favorite times, speak of him often, and he will always be with you until you are reunited again in Eternal Life.

Lori Coluzzi - October 20, 2022 at 11:28 AM