



Michael Dargay

September 29, 1925 - January 6, 2016

Dargay, Michael, age 90, a 60-year resident of Royal Oak, passed away on January 6, 2016. He was born on September 29, 1925 to the late John and Mary Dargay in Sabraton, West Virginia.

Michael, or "Dude" within his circle of friends, was a remarkably skilled and caring individual. He spent many of his working years in the sign and display industry and for a number of years he was self-employed, making and designing neon signs. His children and neighbors recall his glowing handmade red and green neon, "Seasons Greetings", sign that was hung on the front of their home every year. Michael was not only skilled in that respect, but he was also especially handy. Each room in his home was touched and improved by his building skills. He typically gleaned inspiration from his ongoing subscriptions to Popular Science and Popular Mechanics magazines. Among his favorite memories from his younger years included his specialized bombardier training with the United States Air Force during WWII. In retirement, he enjoyed traveling coast to coast with his wife Dorothy in their VW camper.

Not only was Michael skilled, but he took time to invest in the things that mattered most to him: his family and neighbors. Michael enjoyed getting out of the house on walks, talking to the neighbors, and striking up conversations with nearly everyone he met. He took great care to see that those he loved

were taken care of and gave freely of his time and talents. His family remembers his drawing and lettering skills on everything from birthday cakes and greeting cards to garage sale signs and posters. Over the years, Michael helped found the St. Basil the Great Byzantine Catholic Church (Sterling Heights) and was a longtime member at St. Dennis Catholic Church of Royal Oak.

Dear husband of the late Dorothy (married 1949 in Detroit); loving father of Diana (Robert) Wing, Sharon, and Michael (Ruth); proud grandfather of Christopher (Meghan Moran) Wing, Sarah Wing, Matthew, Anne-Marie, and Caroline Dargay; dear brother of Ann (the late Richard) Hegner, and the late Mary, John (Mary, surviving), and Helen.

Visitation Sunday from 1 p.m. until the time of service at 4 p.m. at the Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Home, 705 W 11 Mile Road (4 blocks E of Woodward), Royal Oak. Committal service with military honors Tuesday 10:30 a.m. at Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly.

Memorial contributions to the American Lung Association are appreciated (<http://www.lung.org/>).

Share your memories at www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com.

Cemetery Details

Great Lakes National Cemetery

4200 Belford Road
Holly Township, MI 48442

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 10. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Directors-Royal Oak
705 W. Eleven Mile Road
Royal Oak, MI 48067
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Funeral Services

JAN 10. 4:00 PM (ET)

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Committal Service

JAN 12. 10:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *To the family of Michael Dargay: Please accept my sincere sympathy for the loss of your loved one. While we don't know one another, experiencing the devastation of losing a loved one is something we all face in our lives. The Bible promises a time when "death will be no more" (Rev 21:3.4) and assures us that God hears our prayers (Ps 55:22). I hope this brings you some peace during this difficult time.*

Wanda - January 19, 2016 at 10:35 AM

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“ *Mike Dargay has been a part of my life since I can remember. He and Dorothy were my parents neighbors and friends for 50 years, and Sharon and I have been friends for more years than that. Mike was always there for my family and me for advice, for help, and in emergencies. Mike was the one who drove my dad to the hospital several times when emergencies arose. He always had time for anyone in need. I will always have the memory of Mike and Dorothy sitting on their side patio, talking, laughing and always making anyone who visited feel very welcome. He will be remembered with smiles, and appreciation, and will be missed very much.*

Candy Norman - January 10, 2016 at 12:07 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Michael Dargay.*



January 09, 2016 at 07:33 PM