



## Richard "Dick" E. Connors

October 12, 1939 - April 13, 2025

Richard "Dick" Connors, loving father, grandfather, and friend, passed away peacefully on April 13, 2025, at the age of 85.

Born on October 12, 1939, Richard lived a full and vibrant life surrounded by those he loved. He was a proud and devoted father to Richard (Kathleen) Connors II, Khristine Connors, and Thomas (Michelle) Connors. He was also the loving and cherished partner of Carleen Eaton, with whom he shared over 40 wonderful years.

Richard's legacy continues through his beloved grandchildren, Gerard (Alyssa), Hope (Noah), Nicholas, Tyler, and Emily (Jacob) Goodman, and his precious great-granddaughter, Scarlett Goodman. He was a beloved uncle to many nieces and nephews as well.

He was predeceased by his parents, Paul and Agnes Connors, and his siblings, Paul and Barbara Connors.

Richard was a man of many passions. He loved golf and was a loyal Michigan State fan, always cheering on his Spartans. A true sports lover, he followed the Detroit Tigers faithfully and the Red Wings (when they're playing up to his standards). He worked for many years at FANUC Robotics before retiring in 1996, where he was respected for his skill and work ethic. Richard enjoyed being a "snowbird" spending his retirement split between Michigan in the summers, and Ocala, Florida in the winters, he wanted to be wherever the golfing weather would be!

Richard will be remembered for his fun spirit, quick wit, and unwavering love

for his family. He will be deeply missed and forever held in our hearts.

A visitation will be held on Monday, April 21, from 10am until the time of the funeral service at 1pm at the Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 8459 Hall Rd. (3blks. E. of Van Dyke) in Utica. His burial will take place immediately following his funeral service at Resurrection Cemetery, 18201 Clinton River Rd, in Clinton Township.

The family asks that any memorial donations in honor of Richard be made out to St. Jude Childrens Hospital at: <[https://www.stjude.org/donate/donate-to-st-jude.html?sc\\_icid=header-btn-donate-now](https://www.stjude.org/donate/donate-to-st-jude.html?sc_icid=header-btn-donate-now)>

or to Shriners Hospitals for Children at: <<https://donate.lovetotherescue.org/give/158250/#!/donation/checkout>>.

# Cemetery Details

## Resurrection Cemetery

18201 Clinton River Road  
Clinton Township, MI 48038

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 21. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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

## Funeral Service

APR 21. 1:00 PM (ET)

Wm Sullivan and Son Funeral Home  
8459 Hall Road  
Utica, MI 48317  
(586) 731-2411  
utica@sullivanfh.com  
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## Burial

APR **21**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Resurrection Cemetery  
18201 Clinton River Road  
Clinton Township, MI 48038

# Tribute Wall



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard "Dick" E. Connors.*



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April 16, 2025 at 10:24 AM



“ *Carleen Eaton purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Richard "Dick" E. Connors.*



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**Carleen Eaton** - April 15, 2025 at 04:17 PM



“ *Dear Family, I have shared many, many years of joy since I am the brother of Carleen. I so enjoyed reading his obituary, because it captured him so perfectly. He was a great man and so loyal to Carleen for which I admired him most. God Bless. Rev. Lynn Witt*

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**Rev Lynn Witt** - April 15, 2025 at 02:45 PM

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“ I was saddened to learn of the death of my lifetime good friend, Dick Connors. We have been close friends and colleagues for 75 years...since our childhood days at St Jude Grade School, and St Joseph High School in Detroit. We played baseball and hockey together in our youth; and golfed together in our retirement years until age finally caught up with the two of us.

His and my birthdays were exactly 6 months apart, and we never missed calling each other on our birthdays for the last 50 years. I missed receiving his call on my 86th birthday, April 12, only to find out that Dick died early the next morning, Apr 13.

Dick and I were both fanatic college football fans, except he for MSU, and I for UM.

We visited with each other and talked with each other regularly from our youth, right through our retirement years. "Connors" as he was known to me, (my first name is also Richard (Dick)), was as good a friend as one could ever hope to have---and for 75 years!! I will miss him immensely...may you "REST in PEACE, CONNORS!" Love you forever, Richard (Dick) Wroblewski

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Richard and Kathy Wroblewski - April 14, 2025 at 07:06 PM