



## Wallace F. Gabler, Jr.

April 27, 1920 - October 9, 2009

Gabler, Wallace F., Jr. Age 89 October 9, 2009

Beloved husband of Carolyn M. Loving father of Wallace F. III Carol, John H. Patty Adams and Carolyn E. Proud grandfather of 5 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren. Mr. Gabler was a 1938 graduate of Royal Oak High School. He graduated from Central Michigan University in 1944 and served in the US Air Force as a Captain and Command Flight Instructor on B-17 and B-19 Bomber Aircraft during World War II. He was the General Manager of Hagelsteins Bakery in Royal Oak and previously served on the Royal Oak City Commission, former Mayor Pro- Tem of Royal Oak, Royal Oak School Board and Royal Oak Draft Board. He was also a member of the Oakland County Board of Commissioners where he was a Past Chairman. Mr. Gabler is a member of the First United Methodist Church in Royal Oak. Visitation will be Sunday from 1-8 pm at the Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home 705 W. 11 Mile Rd. 4 blks E. of Woodward, Royal Oak. Funeral Monday 10:30 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial Oakview Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Disabled American Veterans.

# Tribute Wall

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“*Uncle Wally's passing has created a great loss for all the Gabler family. His welcoming smile and hugs will be cherished. He will be remembered by all of his brother David's family fondly. He was a trusted big brother, supportive friend and confident to him. We thank him for making us pass his test before we could swim in the deep end of the pool, skate smoothly on the pond, cookies, a birthday cake each year and way too many special memories of holidays and family events to enumerate. None of us can't ever remember a time he didn't greet us with sparkling teddy-bear eyes, a wonderful smile and great big hug. At the 2005 Gabler reunion, after thirty years out west, he still greeted my sister and I as if he'd just seen us last week. He was a wonderful guy who will be missed. Our sad condolences to our Aunt Carolyn, our cousins Wally III, John, and Carolyn and their families.*

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**Karen Gabler-Young** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“*My husband, Doug and my sons, Kenny and Keith join me in offering our heartfelt condolences to my Aunt Carolyn, and my cousins Wally III, John and Carolyn as well as their families. We all have such fond memories of visits to Royal Oak and of Uncle Wally. He always had a great smile, calming voice, and a way of showing he cared about his family, his home and all that he undertook in life. He was truly an inspiration to us. My Mom, Betty, loved Wally as a brother and as a friend too as did my Dad, because he was terrific at being both. It was so fortunate that Mom and Uncle Wally were able to be together for the last time at the first ever Gabler family reunion in 2005... their smiles were truly priceless.*

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**Claire Cavallon-Hall** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ It was with great sadness that I heard of the passing of my Uncle Wally. My brother Brad and I were fortunate to have visited with Uncle Wally, Aunt Carolyn and their daughter Carolyn last month. He still had that special spark in his eye which coincided with his eternally positive outlook on life. We Gabler boys of Wally's brother Clyde always were extremely proud to be nephews of Wallace F. Gabler, Jr. He will be greatly missed and our thoughts are with our Aunt Carolyn and Wally III, John, and Carloyn.

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**Richard Gabler** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM