



Samuel E. Holsworth

May 18, 1922 - March 18, 2008

"I, Samuel Holsworth passed away suddenly on Tuesday March 18, 2008. This wasn't my plan, but I went quickly which is the way I wanted to go. A memorial service will take place at Kaatz Funeral Directors, Yale. I request no flowers, please, and ask that you donate money to the Yale Senior Citizen center instead.

The trouble with being almost 90 is that a lot of my family and friends have gone before me.

I was preceded in death by my loving wife of 54 years, Dorothy Lee Holsworth, my brother, Kenneth Holsworth, sister, Alice Sarsfield and son-in-law Frank Hija.

Surviving me is my companion and very good friend, Winnie Schifelbine; my four daughters, Sandra Holsworth, Linda Hija, Gail and Bill Wells, Terri and Syd Santavy; four grandchildren, Jeff Chandler, Christine Powell, Tyrel and Gage Santavy; two great-grandchildren, Nick and Trevor Chandler; three brothers, Jack and Carol Holsworth, Robert and Mille Holsworth and Donald Holsworth; four sisters, Geneva Sharp, Betty Richie, Roberta Beaverdorf and Darlene Burgess; sister-in-law Irene Kotelman and many nieces, nephews and hundreds of very good friends!

I was born in 1922 and lived a great life in and around the Avoca/Yale area. In 1940, I started working at Mueller Brass before being drafted during WWII. I served 33 months in the Army, 27 months of that in Europe. I spent the next 50 years as a mason contractor.

To my family and friends, don't feel bad about me. I had a very good life, and I'll remember all of you no matter where I end up.

I'll miss you all, but please don't visit me for a while.

Love you all,

"Sam"

His family honors the memory of Sam and invite you to attend memorial services 1 p.m.

visiting 12noon. Chaplin Max Almstadt will officiate.

For information and Guest Book

kaatzfunerals.com

Previous Events

Service

MAR **29**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Kaatz Funeral Directors - Yale
10 S. Main Street
Yale, MI

Tribute Wall



“ Dear Family,

I will always remember Uncle Sam. As a small child, my father Larry Sharpe would tease me and tell me that Uncle Sam, was indeed the Uncle Sam in all the U.S. armed force pictures. I belived that until I was about 11. He will be missed dearly, and I am sorry for your loss.

*His Great Niece,
Tonia###imported-begin##Tonia Gallagher (Sharpe)###imported-end##*

March 31, 2008 at 11:14 AM



“ Sorry to hear this. We live in Florida, but we will be there for the memorial, along with John and pam Little. He was the greatest brother.###imported-begin##Robert and Amelia Holsworth###imported-end##

March 29, 2008 at 07:29 AM



“ To the family, I was sorry to read about the death of your Dad and wanted to let you know I'm thanking and praying for you during this sad time in your lives. Reading that yur Dad was 90 is hard to blieve, but I guess living in TN for 34 years make think everyone back in MI should be the same as when I left. Linda I know this has been a hard year for you and I think about you often and pray for you. May God"s blessing rest upon you all. Rick###imported-begin##Rick & Marilyn Carr###imported-end##

March 28, 2008 at 05:37 PM



“ I am not feeling very well so I won't be at the memorial. I wanted to tell you how sorry I am. I will keep you in my thoughts and prayers. Love, Aunt Betty###imported-begin###Betty Ritchie###imported-end##

March 28, 2008 at 04:53 PM



“ Linda, Sandra, Gail & Terri: Mom and I are very sad for your loss. You all are in our thoughts and prayers daily. Keep the memories forever in your hearts. You all have your very own SPECIAL memories of times and events with your dad. You will always have a smile when you think of them. Please remember he is at peace now and with your mom. He will be forever missed.

Love,

Cheryl###imported-begin###Cheryl Pryor###imported-end##

March 28, 2008 at 03:19 PM



“ I just wanted to let all of you know that my thoughts and prayers are with you. It's hard to let go but we know we must. I have a lot of great memories of your Dad and your Mom. All the great times at the beach, skiing, swimming, picnics, etc. It goes on forever. Linda, to you a special thought. It's been a rough year for you. God's blessings and strength for all of you. Love Sherrie###imported-begin###Sherrie (Armstrong) Nosal###imported-end##

March 28, 2008 at 10:53 AM



“ Terri, sorry to hear of your dad's passing. What a lovey obituary.###imported-begin###Rose Hyde Scott###imported-end##

March 28, 2008 at 06:49 AM



“ Hello Everyone. So sorry to hear about uncle Sam. I hadn't seen him in a very long time. We retired to Tennessee almost 8 years ago so we don't see you anymore. We come back up to Michigan only a couple times a year to visit our kids and Mom (Sam's sister Betty). I have very fond memories of the big Christmas parties in uncle Sam's basement in Avoca when I was little. Those were the good old days weren't they? Time sure does fly by. My sincere sympathy to you all. Love, Cheryl (Sherry)###imported-begin###Cheryl Adams (Ritchie)###imported-end##

March 27, 2008 at 10:46 PM



“ Well I received the call Monday from Mom that Sam had passed away. We talked for a while. After that I was thing back and was remembering the time we all went on a family picnic to some river, Sam carried me on his sholders I was about five or six then, and the time Sam took me out to get a watermellon out on the patch for millies wedding reception that took place in the back yard of the old house. Oh, well-- We all get old. I'm 63 now and somehow we just keep moving forward, God has a way of taking care of us till our time is up. Best wishes to everyone, and God bless you all Lenny###imported-begin###Leon (Lenny) Ritchie###imported-end##

March 26, 2008 at 03:24 PM



“ We are sorry to hear the news...what a nice Uncle. I remember back to living next to him and the cousins in Avoca. The 1950's.....how time fly's. Our sincere sympathy to all.###imported-begin###John & Pamela (Holsworth) Little###imported-end##

March 24, 2008 at 06:29 PM



“ My goodness, Sam what a delight of a life you had. Since Pete and I moved from Avoca many years ago. I guess we lost touch with everyone in Avoca.

Sorry for the lost Of Sam,

If you should had forgotten who we was we lived next door to

Dorothy & Sam in Avoca in the little green home there

Again sorry to hear about this on the internet.

Donna & Pete Gall###imported-begin##Donna & Peter

Gall###imported-end##

March 24, 2008 at 10:17 AM



“ Girls, wish I could be there for you at this time also..

Hang in there - you're all strong women and I love you.

Pat###imported-begin##Patricia Sklba###imported-end##

March 23, 2008 at 02:26 PM



“ To the family I am unable to attend the memorial as I have a auction sale. Sam will be missed as he always bought albums I think he told me last count he had about 3000 of them! about 28yrs ago Sam was teaching me to lay block & Harry Wetter was teaching me how to hot tar roofing I always Visited him in Florida & He always had a Smile & he offered a shot, He will be saddly missed!###imported-begin##JOHN TOMASCHKO###imported-end##

March 20, 2008 at 01:12 AM