



## Darrel Ledy

January 11, 1939 - September 11, 2021

Darrel Forrest Ledy, age 82, of Drummond Island, Michigan, went to be with his heavenly Father, unexpectedly on Saturday, September 11th at his home on Drummond Island. He was born January 11, 1939, to the late Forrest Jones Ledy and the late Genevieve Mae Ledy (Payment) in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan.

Drummond Island was home during his early years; attending school, church, sports, fishing, hunting, and enjoying life. During high school, he excelled at all sports. He held a long-standing record of 48 points scored in a basketball game, but his proudest achievement was winning the 800-meter run at the UP finals, dispelling the common belief that he was slow. After high school, he attended Northern Michigan University and then Alma College, pursuing a teaching degree. While at Alma, he was a member of the Scots football team and the TKE fraternity, making friendships that lasted all his life.

Darrel's first teaching position was in Alpena, where he met Sandra Evans, a fellow teacher, who became his wife and constant companion of 57 years. Shortly thereafter, they relocated to teach in the DeTour Area School System. During his 33 years at DeTour, he made an impact as teacher, coach, class advisor, and bus driver.

After retiring from DeTour, he spent his time at the golf course, fishing, hunting, working on "the house," and catching any possible game his kids coached or his grandkids played. He was also an active member of the Drummond Island Lions Club and the Drummond Island Golf Club.

In every meeting, his love of family, friends, life, sports, and faith were crystal clear. Think of him with a smile, as he did you. Your joy was his joy.

Darrel is survived by his wife, Sandra (Evans); children, Heidi (David) Kanouse, Erica Ledy, Richard (Morri) Ledy, and Britta (Kirk) Astle; grandchildren, Tatum Ledy, Darrel Lee Anthon, Richard Ledy II, Jade (Bryan) Erspamer, Cullen Ledy, Sawyer Astle, Rhiar Kanouse, Terese Ledy, Gabriel Kanouse, Soren Astle, Jonas Kanouse, Avery Ledy, and Rowin Ledy; great-grandchildren, Huron Anthon, Reverie Anthon, Caroline Morrison, and Callahan Erspamer; beloved sister, Gail Ledy; sister-in-law, Mary Ledy (September 11, 2021); sister-in-law, Carol Coffey; brother-in-law, Ray Whiteman; and sister-in-law, Pamela Whiteman; uncle, Delbert "Sam" Ledy, aunt, Pansy Gore; and aunt, Betty Ledy; and many nieces and nephews. Darrel is preceded in death by his son, Forrest Scott Ledy; brother, Duane Ledy; brother-in-law, David Coffey; and nephew, Randy Scott Ledy Gochnour. Please join us celebrating his life on Wednesday, September 15th visiting from 3:30 - 6:30 pm at Galer Funeral Homes, Pickford, Michigan, and on Thursday, visiting at the Drummond Island Baptist Church from 10-11am and later at his funeral service at 11 am. Luncheon at the Drummond Island Town Hall to follow graveside service.

\*\*Please note: To avoid the ferry line, the family has arranged for a shuttle bus to run from the Drummond Island Ferry to the Baptist Church on Thursday for those who wish to attend the Visitation and Funeral Service on Drummond Island. The shuttle will be picking up riders from the 9:40 am departure from DeTour and will return them to the Drummond Island Ferry at the end of services.

Memorial contributions may be made to DeTour Sports Boosters, 202 S. Division St., P.O. Box 429, DeTour Village, MI 49725 or Drummond Island Golf Club, 29901 E. Fairchild Lane, Drummond Island, MI 49726.

Galer Funeral Homes & Cremation in Pickford, Michigan is serving the family. Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.galerfuneralhomes.com](http://www.galerfuneralhomes.com).



# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **15**. 3:30 PM - 6:30 PM (ET)

Family Life Funeral Homes - Pickford  
24549 S. M-129  
Pickford, MI 49774  
(906) 647-3400  
flfh@familylifefh.com  
<https://www.familylifefuneralhomes.com/>

## Visitation

SEP **16**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Drummond Island Baptist Church  
29281 E Channel Rd  
Drummond Island, MI 49726

## Funeral Service

SEP **16**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Drummond Island Baptist Church  
29281 E Channel Rd  
Drummond Island, MI 49726

# Tribute Wall



“ *Darrel Ledy*

October 05, 2023 at 09:54 AM



“ *Darrel Ledy*

October 02, 2023 at 10:14 PM



“ *Darrel Ledy*

September 01, 2022 at 07:49 PM



“ *So sorry to hear about Mr.Ledy leaving us.he was a great man and was a great teacher. When I was 14 I was hit by a car over summer vacation.*

*Well in the fall when we came back to school he put me on the weights and pushed me hard and got me back walking.*

*He also took me to all the games to film them so if he had any football or basketball games on vhs I taped them for him.*

*Mr.Ledy you were always larger than life to me and you will always be remembered.So I will see you again someday on the other side.*

*Your friend and student Duane(THE BEAVER)Leazier.*

**Duane Leazier** - September 23, 2021 at 03:39 PM



“ *A great teacher and a kind and caring soul!!  
My thoughts and prayers go out to his family  
and friends.*



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**Susan J. Buie** - September 18, 2021 at 12:26 AM

BA

“ *So sorry to hear of Darrel's passing, he has always had time for me  
even though I moved away after my freshman yr. After moving to  
Engadine in the early 80's we have spent many times together  
talking family and sports. He was a very thoughtful and caring man  
and will be missed by all who knew him May God Bless him and  
your family*

*Brian and Cheryl Adams*

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**Brian Adams** - September 17, 2021 at 01:50 PM

RB

“ *My heart goes out to the Ledy family. Mr. Ledy was so kind and  
funny. He always teased me about something or other and made  
me smile. He and Mrs. Ledy had a greater impact on my life than he  
probably ever knew.*

*I grieve with you, and pray for the Holy Spirit to comfort all of you  
during this most difficult time.*

*Much love, Rebecca Bailey*

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**Rebecca Bailey** - September 17, 2021 at 10:11 AM

EW

“ To the Ledy Family you are in our thoughts and prayers.

*Wirick Family*

Elaine Wirick - September 15, 2021 at 12:33 PM



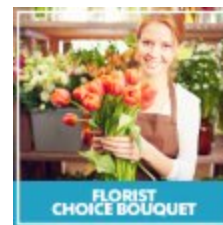
“ *Fairest of All* was purchased for the family of Darrel Ledy.



September 15, 2021 at 10:51 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Darrel Ledy.



September 15, 2021 at 08:45 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden* was purchased for the family of Darrel Ledy.



September 15, 2021 at 08:07 AM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Darrel Ledy.*



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September 15, 2021 at 07:51 AM



“ *The Family of Byron Seaman purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Darrel Ledy.*



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**The Family of Byron Seaman** - September 15, 2021 at 05:54 AM



“ *Darrel is one of those people you meet that made you feel good. He always had a smile to greet you and kind words. I can't remember a time that I ever saw him mad or upset, he showed us all how we should live. Byron Seaman Jr.*

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**Byron Seaman Jr.** - September 15, 2021 at 05:53 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Darrel Ledy.*



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September 14, 2021 at 08:39 PM

DG

“ *Mr. Ledy, Darrel was to me a teacher. coach, mentor, and a friend. It was always a treat to run into him and have a conversation. He is a big influence in my life. My condolences to the Ledy family. RIP Darrel.*

*Dave Geyer*

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**Dave Geyer** - September 14, 2021 at 08:08 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Darrel Ledy.*



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September 14, 2021 at 07:38 PM

M&

“ *Mrs Ledy and the whole Ledy bunch, Drummond has lost a truly loving and caring man. His giant smile whenever we happened to run into each other at the store will be greatly missed as well as his delicious maple syrup! Keep family and memories close to help find a bit of comfort during this most difficult time.*

*Prayers to all*

*Mike & Diane*

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**M&D** - September 14, 2021 at 05:59 PM

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“ *DeTour Class of 1979. purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Darrel Ledy.*



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**DeTour Class of 1979.** - September 14, 2021 at 05:13 PM

SM

“ *So sad to hear of the passing of one of the great men I have ever met. Daryl continues to impact my life even today. So many great memories it's hard to pick just one. My first year at DeTour we had just lost our third close basketball game in a row the night before. I know I looked pretty down in the dumps. Daryl took me into my room, closed the door and pointed out what a great wife and family I had, how much I loved my job and living in DeTour and that in the end these meant way more than any basketball game I could ever win or lose. I have given that advice many times over the past 30 years thanks to that amazing perspective. Rest In Peace my friend you will truly be missed!*

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**Scott McLeod** - September 14, 2021 at 03:17 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Darrel Ledy.*



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September 14, 2021 at 12:24 PM

WC

“ *teacher coach and bus driver,my memory of him was his infectious smile any time i seen him he always had something positive to say. RIP Darrei Warren cater class of 1970*

warren cater - September 14, 2021 at 11:33 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Darrel Ledy.*



September 14, 2021 at 10:55 AM

FG

“ *First Bank - Investment Management Group purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Darrel Ledy.*



First Bank - Investment Management Group - September 14, 2021 at 09:57 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Darrel Ledy.*



September 14, 2021 at 09:49 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Darrel Ledy.*



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September 14, 2021 at 08:51 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Darrel Ledy.*



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September 14, 2021 at 05:40 AM



“ *I too have wonderful memories of Darryl Levy as a teacher, bus driver, & a golf team member with Richard (Bailey) on one of the Fall Festival golf outings. Always a ready smile whenever I saw him. My heart is heavy for his loss. May it bring some measure of comfort to his family to know he was well-respected & cared for by those of us who knew him. I am sorry to say I won't be able to attend his funeral since I am visiting my daughter's family in Minnesota. Please know my thoughts & prayers are with your family.*

*Sherie Bailey*

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**Sherie Bailey** - September 13, 2021 at 11:17 PM

JB

“ I am so sorry for the loss of a great teacher and role model. Mr. and Mrs. Ledy were part of my decision to become a teacher. They both truly cared for their students. I will always remember the Ledys taking with their family on a weekend when I had a cross country ski race to compete in and they took me there.



May God wrap his arms around you all as you navigate this new journey.

Prayers for all touched by Darrell.

Jodi Behm Bondy  
DeTour Class of 1978

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J Bondy - September 13, 2021 at 09:27 PM

SS

“ Condolences to the whole Ledy Family. My heart goes out to all of you. I will keep you all in my prayers. God Bless!



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Sharon Sadegh - September 13, 2021 at 08:01 PM



“ Condolences from Jan, Ken, and Katrina Joly. Many memories of Mr. Ledy.



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Katrina Joly - September 13, 2021 at 07:34 PM

TH

“ *Mr Ledy was a great teacher. He made every class interesting. Plus he was our class advisor as well as Mrs. Ledy. They invulenced me alot.*

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**Teresa Olmstead Howe** - September 13, 2021 at 07:15 PM