



Francis Raymond Goetz

September 11, 1925 - January 9, 2015

Francis Raymond Goetz, age 89, of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, and formerly of DeTour Village, Michigan, died January 9, 2015 in Sault Ste. Marie. He was born September 11, 1925 in DeTour Village to Francis Roy Goetz and Rose Veronica (Durocher) Goetz.

Frank grew up in Detour and moved to Sault Ste. Marie for his senior year of high school. After high school graduation, he served in the United States Navy. While Frank was a teenager in DeTour, he met Betty Ann Tellefsen when her family vacationed at their cottage on Caribou Lake. They married on December 20, 1945 and Betty joined him in Bethesda, Maryland where he was stationed with the Navy. After Frank completed his tour of duty in the Navy, they moved to Detroit, Michigan where Frank earned his Bachelor's Degree at Wayne State University and began teaching for the Detroit Public Schools. He continued his education and earned his Master's Degree. He then worked as an Administrator at the Birmingham Public Schools and earned his Doctorate in Education from Wayne State University. Frank was Deputy Superintendent of the Birmingham Public School District when he retired in 1982. Frank and Betty lived in Detour after he retired.

Frank was a member of Saint Angela's Catholic Church in Roseville, Michigan, and Sacred Heart Catholic Church in DeTour. He was a member of the Michigan Association of Retired School Personnel and served as

president of the Caribou Lake Association.

Frank enjoyed genealogy research, photography, and reading.

Frank is survived by his children, Steve (Megan) Goetz of Tigard, Oregon, Gary (Darlene) Goetz of Sterling Heights, Michigan, Scott (Mary) Goetz of Spring, Texas, and Betty Lynn (Jerry) LaCross of Canton, Michigan; grandchildren, Lisa (Greg) Larson, Amanda (Mike) Duke, Evan (Carrie) LaCross, Matthew Goetz, Andrew Goetz, Holly (Adam) Orechia, Geoffrey Goetz, and Alexandra Goetz; and great grandchildren, Austin LaCross, Vincent Duke, Jacob LaCross, Lillian Duke, Madison Orechia, and Riley Orechia. He is also survived by one sister-in-law, Anastasia Goetz of Roseville.

Frank was preceded in death by his wife, Betty; brothers, John "Jack" (Frances) Goetz, and Angus Gillis "Gill" Goetz; and by one sister, Rosamay (John) Inman.

A funeral mass will be held Tuesday, May 26, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in DeTour Village. Burial will be in Maple Grove Cemetery in DeTour Township.

Memorial contributions may be made to DeTour Ambulance Corps, P.O. Box 397, DeTour Village, MI 49725.

Cemetery Details

Maple Grove Cemetery

E. South Caribou Lake Road
DeTour, MI

Previous Events

Mass of Christian Burial

MAY 26. 11:00 AM (ET)

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
245 Ontario Street
DeTour Village, MI 49725

Tribute Wall



“ Francis Raymond Goetz

October 05, 2023 at 09:54 AM



“ Francis Raymond Goetz

October 02, 2023 at 10:14 PM



“ Francis Raymond Goetz

September 01, 2022 at 07:49 PM



“ Hi, I am sorry to hear of the passing of Francis Goetz. Actually, I think I am related to the Goetz family. My grandmother, Catherine Goetz, was from the Detour area. Her mother was a MacDonald and her father was John Goetz. Her grandfather, I believe, founded Goetzville in the area. I know her brother Angus went to the University of Michigan (1919?). Please let us know of places to visit in Detour, as I think my family will be travelling there perhaps in July or August. We have just moved to the Illinois area from Los Angeles.

Mark Brow
mbrow@apu.edu

Mark Brow - June 14, 2015 at 06:52 AM

RJ

“ I am so sorry for your loss. My husband and I had planned on attending his service but health intervened. He was a nice man and I remember him and his siblings, mother (Aunt Rose to us), and the Goetz and Durochers very well. My parents lived in Detour as a young married couple and became wonderful friends with them. My mother and I used to go visit "Daddy Jack and Nonnie. Uncle Bert and Aunt Katherine always came to see us when they were in town and we used to see Frances and Gillis at Rosamay's. She lived down the street from us. We always picnicked every year in De Tour and I have pictures of Mrs. T.L. and her brother Joseph Dearwood who was like a grandfather to us and lived across the street. Frances and I occasionally ran into each other when he was in town and caught up on our lives. He came to the funeral home when my mother died and that meant a lot to us. I have a picture that Aunt Rose painted and gave to my mother. I mentioned it to Frances once and he said they had others but if you would like it please get in touch. My phone is 906-632-8292 and my e-mail is rjpik@up.net. My parents' were Edward and Ruth Johnston. Again, my sincere condolences to all of you. I am grateful for so many wonderful memories of your family. Sincerely, Ruth Johnston-Pike

Ruth Johnston-Pike - May 27, 2015 at 03:06 PM

BM

“ Dear Family of Frank, I am so sorry to hear he has passed. He was my principal in Birmingham and he worked with my husband Ron Miller. Frank was a lovely gentleman. He came to several principal reunions with Betty and we all looked forward to seeing them. I know there are many people in Birmingham who still remember him fondly. Please know you are in my prayers. Beverly Miller

Beverly Miller - May 18, 2015 at 12:49 PM

DZ

“ I want to extend my condolences to the Goetz Family.



I want you to know I owe my teaching career to Dr. Goetz. He hired me in 1969 @ WMU and gave me a teaching position in the Birmingham Public Schools @ Harlan Elementary School teaching Kindergarten. He later became the principal there and I was so fortunate to have him as a mentor.

I am saddened to hear of his passing. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with your entire family.

Diana Benedis Ziolkowski

Diana Ziolkowski - May 18, 2015 at 11:00 AM

GF

“ Dear Goetz Family and Friends,
I wasn't privileged with the remarkable acquaintance of Mr. Goetz as you were, but it saddens me to read of your loss. Please accept my family's sincere condolences. Many are comforted in knowing that our Creator assures us in the Bible that soon death and mourning will be no more. May you have peace.

Greene Family - January 30, 2015 at 12:24 PM