



## Si Miller, Jr.

October 24, 1933 - October 24, 2016

Si Miller, Jr., 83, of Holland, formerly Dowagiac, died October 24, 2016 at Holland Hospital. Si was born to Earl Glenn "Big Si" and Marion Ethel "Mimi" (Tinney) on August 14, 1933 in Fremont, MI. Si graduated from Fremont High School in 1951 and Western Michigan University in 1955. He married his high school sweetheart, Helen Claudia Fox, and was happily married for 62 years. He served as a first lieutenant in the U.S. Army, fourth infantry division and was a true patriot. In his career in education, he worked as a teacher, coach, principal and superintendent of schools. Si was an outstanding athlete and athletics were always a big part of his life. He is survived by his wife, Helen Miller; daughter, Marta (Michael) Toth; sons, Joe (Laura), Jack (Kelli), Tom (Mary), and Daniel (Amy); 12 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren. He was honest, genuine, caring and loved spending time with his family. Condolences may be left online with Langeland-Sterenbergh Funeral Home.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Si Miller, Jr.*

August 31, 2022 at 01:26 PM



“ *"I was so shocked and saddened to hear of Si's passing. He was such a wonderful person. Si always had a smile for everyone and could make you laugh. He was a one of a kind principal and superintendent. He had a way of making hard work not so hard. You wanted to show Si you could meet his expectations. It was a pleasure working for him as he never forgot what it was like to be a teacher. I only wish more administrators were like him. I always felt he truly cared about people."*

**Edith Carey** - November 08, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *"Helen and family. We are so very sorry to hear about Si, he was a great friend and we enjoyed our times with you both. Life never gives us enough time. Our thoughts are with you and our fond memories remain with us always. Joan & Don Lyons"*

**Don** - November 03, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TJ

“Si was a one-of-a-kind person-- first meeting him and his boys in the Miller house basement when he hosted a church youth group where he began jokingly addressing me as "Brother Jerdon" (which I immediately loved). He always spoke purposefully, intently, and had the best sense of humor and smile. I will remember fondly my talks with him and Helen and the couple of letters he sent me. My sincere condolences to the entire Miller family. Tom Jerdon, Dowagiac”

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**Tom Jerdon** - November 01, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SH

“He will be missed by all of us. We are heartbroken.”

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**Sue Anne Hale** - November 01, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CP

“So glad this appeared in the Dowagiac newspaper, otherwise I would not have known. All I can say is - may he rest in peace as he was such a wonderful person to work with in Dowagiac and Bridgman. Probably the best principal and superintendent that I have worked for since I am retired. He understood the value of a school library and the media specialist that went with. Even if he didn't have the \$'s to spend in my area, he listened and you went away feeling good and with a smile! I sincerely wish him and his entire family peace. He will always have a special place in my heart and my life long career in education. Peace and Love - Charlotte Poole”

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**Charlotte Poole** - October 31, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CW

“Helen, Marty, Joe, Tom, Jack & Daniel -- I'm thinking of you and mourning Si's passing... when I think of him, I keep hearing his hearty laugh, and seeing that iconic smile. He always made me feel loved and heard -- he was so engaged whenever he talked with you. What a gift to the world -- and to all of us who had the privilege of knowing him. Miss all of you -- Love from your niece/cousin, Cathy Anway Walgenbach”

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**Cathy Walgenbach** - October 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JA

“Helen, Marty, Joe, Jack, Tom, and Daniel: I was so sad to hear the news. Si was such a wonderful person, and I know you will miss him terribly. He was always so buoyant and funny and made everyone around him happy. Please let me know if there is anything at all that I can do for you, let me know. I am just over in Grand Rapids, so I am close.”

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**Jane** - October 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM

KA

“Dear Helen and all the Miller family - I am so sorry for the loss of Si and for all you must be going through during this difficult time. He was an important part of the Anways' formative years and made every occasion fun and funny. He had such a big heart and he will be missed. Love and prayers to your families. You have my deepest condolences. Your Niece and Cousin, Kim Anway-Anastasia”

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**Kim Anway** - October 29, 2016 at 12:00 AM