



Courtney Dale Bauer

June 14, 1942 - December 30, 2018

Courtney Dale Bauer, age 76, of Farwell, passed away at his home on Sunday, December 30, 2018 after a sudden Heart Attack. He was born the son of Courtney K. and Maudie (Phelps) Bauer on June 14, 1942, in Grant Twp., near Clare. He married the former Cheryl Loesel on Aug. 3, 1996, and she survives him. Courtney had served with the US Army after High School and entered Trade School after discharge from the Armed Services. He had a 37 year career as an Instrument Repairman with General Motors, Flint. He retired in Dec. 1999. Courtney Loved Life! He was a member of the Clare VFW, the Clare-Farwell American Legion Post, The Clare Eagles Club, and the Moose Lodge. He had also had a 37 year career as a flight instructor. Over his career he instructed 148 students to pilot licensure. He had flown as an aerobatic pilot in air shows all over the US, and had logged over 10,000 hours flight time. Courtney enjoyed working, whether on his ranch, or mowing on his Kubota, or being around horses, but he was always happy with the company of friends. Some of his biggest joys could be found in his grandchildren.

Courtney is survived by his wife, Cheryl, two daughters, Anna Bauer and Dana Bauer, both of St. Clair, Mi, step-sons, Craig (Alena) Hutchinson of Mt. Juliet, Tn., and Eric (Kim) Hutchinson of Downers Grove, Ill., a sister, Anna (Jim) Leposky of Bellaire, brothers, Donald (Marilyn) Bauer of Farwell , Bruce (Nancy) Bauer of Clare, and his nine Grandchildren.

Funeral Services will be held on Friday, Jan. 4, at 11:00 AM at the Clare

Chapel of Stephenson-Wyman Funeral Home with Pastor Tim Fall officiating. Friends may visit with his family at the funeral home on Thursday from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 PM. Memorials may be made to The American Heart Association or for Pancreatic Cancer Research through the Rogel Cancer Center Pancreatic Cancer Program Fund. Checks may be made to "University of Michigan" and sent to Medical Development, 1000 Oakbrook, Suite 100, Ann Arbor, MI 48104. You may also call 734-764-6777 or visit the website: victors.us/courtneybauer to make your gift. Envelopes will also be available at the funeral home.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 3. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Stephenson - Wyman Funeral Home (Clare)
1005 North McEwan St.
Clare, MI 48617
(989) 386-7451
wymanhf@chartermi.net
<https://www.stephenson-wyman.com/>

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Tribute Wall

MM

“ I worked with "The Magnificent C.D. Bauer" (his words 😊) at Buick in the 70s. I took flying lessons with him for awhile. It cheerfully shared some of his acrobatics with me during the lessons. It was and still is some of my best times! He was such fun. My sympathies to his family.

Maggie Miller - January 26, 2019 at 08:58 AM

S3

“ Cheryl
I'm sorry for the loss of Courtney he was a very nice person and easy person to get along with also as you are as well! I wish you nothing but the best and he may have rest in peace for everything he has done for everyone and May God Bless Courtney he will truly be missed! He was an awesome guy to get to know! Scott Eberhart

Scott Eberhart 386-8681 - January 18, 2019 at 12:32 PM

JB

“ Cheryl,
So sorry to hear of Courtney's passing!
He never failed to remind me about my working at Houghton's Drug store when I was in High School in Clare.
He was always a fun guy & know most of us will miss him.
When I lost my husband Don I moved back to California, so hadn't seen them for awhile.
Take care Cheryl and I hope your family is close to help you through it.
Was sure I'd go first & wish I had, even with family it's hard to lose them
Take care & enjoy your family.
Joyce Blackledge

Joyce Blackledge - January 07, 2019 at 03:39 PM

LH

“ I am so very sorry to hear of the loss of Dale. He was the only guy that I flew with that took me on barrel rolls and upside down. You were a crazy man but you won everyones heart. I remember the day you and Ruth were married cause I had the honor of standing up with you guys. You are going to be missed. May you rest in peace Dale, God Bless.

Linda Melnek Holton - January 05, 2019 at 12:39 PM

RF

“ The first time I met Courtney was when we just purchased our place on the lake and there was a lot of clean up to do, trimming trees and bushes. Well I was taking a break on the back deck behind the garage having a beer and here comes Courtney walking through the garage, comes sits down next to me and the first words out of his mouth are “ ya, I’ll have a beer”. Right then and now I told myself, I like this guy and I’m going to like this place. Thank you Courtney for making us feel welcome and for all your help and guidance and friendship, we miss you deeply already, god bless and god speed!

Rick & Diane Flaim

Rick Flaim - January 04, 2019 at 08:56 AM



“ The first time I flew with Courtney, we were about 100 in the air after taking off, when he looked over at me, and asked "Are you afraid to fly upside down" I said heck no. He said "Let me show you something". He had me hooked almost instantly. He was the most enjoyable person to fly with.

Edwin Bellairs - January 04, 2019 at 01:15 AM

YD

“ Your friends at Dow - DMC purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Courtney Dale Bauer.



Your friends at Dow - DMC - January 03, 2019 at 05:29 PM

ER

“ Courtney was the sweet neighbor man at my husband's family cottage. We recently spent time with him and Cheryl over the holidays and as always, they were full of stories and upcoming travels to see the grandkids. Courtney was always so full of fun, adventurous stories.

May you rest in peace, Courtney.

Cheryl and family, our thoughts are with you at this difficult time.

Love, Erin and Shea Butler

Erin - January 03, 2019 at 11:24 AM

BR

Courtney was friend that we met at the Clare VFW post. He was always telling jokes, and giving out completes. Our family enjoyed being around him, he made me smile when ever he was around. He will be missed by many. Rest in Pease.

Becky Rodgers - January 03, 2019 at 03:51 PM



“ Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Courtney Dale Bauer.



January 03, 2019 at 10:05 AM

MW

“ *taught me how to fly. introduced me to my bride and piloted in our wedding ceremony. i've never entered my aircraft without feeling courney's presents. he has impacted my life in so many ways. too many stories and experiences to be mentioned here. always in my thoughts, always. they all have wings where he's going.*

marty winslow - January 03, 2019 at 09:42 AM

DS

*Don Schlegel sends his sympathy's R.I.P
Loves ya, Loves ya*

Don Schlegel - January 04, 2019 at 06:57 PM

TW

“ *Timothy j waidelich purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Courtney Dale Bauer.*



Timothy j waidelich - January 03, 2019 at 12:04 AM

TM

“ *So sorry for your loss. I will miss those Thursday political visits.
Tammy Miller.*

tammy miller - January 02, 2019 at 01:39 PM

NH

“ *Cheryl, so sorry for your loss, it's never easy. Hugs. Nola J.*

nola hopkins - January 02, 2019 at 12:36 PM

RC

“ *Rodd And Bonnie (Baker) Cook lit a candle in memory of Courtney Dale Bauer*



Rodd and Bonnie (Baker) Cook - January 01, 2019 at 04:51 PM

RC

Our thought and prayers are with Cheryl and family during this journey.



Rodd and Bonnie (Baker) Cook - January 01, 2019 at 04:52 PM

DH

“ *There was a time I wouldn't fly with my dad. Courtney wouldn't take no for an answer, and took me up in his stunt plane, did a few stunts; rolls, loop, etc. It was awesome! He will be missed.*

- Doug Haggart

Douglas Haggart - January 01, 2019 at 04:37 PM

JF

“ *What a great loss for all of us. Its so hard to lose a good friend. Courtney taught me to fly and it changed my life forever. There are so many wonderful and funny memories. Our thoughts and prayers are with you Cheryl and the whole family. May Courtney soar with the eagles and forever fly.*

Jack Frost - January 01, 2019 at 03:13 PM

RC

“ *RIP Courtney...Our thoughts and prayers are with Cheryl and all the family.*

Ron and CarolLarrance - January 01, 2019 at 02:22 PM



“ *Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Courtney Dale Bauer.*



January 01, 2019 at 12:45 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss. Courtney was such a great guy. Sending prayers and hugs for you Cheryl and your family. He will be missed by many 🙏🥰*

Betty Wemtworth - January 01, 2019 at 08:48 AM



“ *I grew up with Dale and saw him almost every day of my life up through high school. I left Clare, but when I came home, there would always be an airplane that flew over the Dover house, tipping it wings to say "hello". Dale was the one person that always came by to say "hi" when I was at the Dover house. I am going to miss seeing him so much. God Speed.*

Maryln Allen Adams - January 01, 2019 at 07:43 AM



“ *Bob Bergey lit a candle in memory of Courtney Dale Bauer*



Bob Bergey - January 01, 2019 at 12:14 AM

BH

“ Your families are in our hearts during this difficult time.

Bruce Hales - December 31, 2018 at 11:39 PM

FR

“ An amazing member of the Amazing Clare High School Class of 1960. We will miss you.

Frank Rowley

Frank Rowley - December 31, 2018 at 10:58 PM

WP

“ Courtney was always a special part of our “up north” experience. A very kind man and a good friend. We were pleased to have he and Cheryl as neighbors. One last “yo” to you from the deck or pontoon. Cowboy up.....Rest In Peace , friend.

Walt and Joanne Plajstek

Walt & Joanne Plajstek - December 31, 2018 at 10:48 PM

BL

“ So sorry for your lose. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.



Bob and Linda Love - December 31, 2018 at 09:02 PM

JZ

“ To a great friend I'm going to miss you.
John Zinser

John Zinser - December 31, 2018 at 08:18 PM

DE

“ Going to miss ya buddy (CD) see ya on the other side, Dewey 😞

Dewey - December 31, 2018 at 07:57 PM

DH

“ So sorry to lose a very good neighbor. CD would do anything for his neighbors. We will miss his yelling at us from his pontoon as he and Cheryl drove by. RIP CD.

Dick and Jean Haynak - December 31, 2018 at 07:57 PM

DE

“ Dewey lit a candle in memory of Courtney Dale Bauer



Dewey - December 31, 2018 at 07:53 PM

BH

Cheryl and the Bauer men and entire family, so sorry for your loss, he was such a great guy! Nyle and Betty Haggart

Betty Haggart - January 01, 2019 at 07:19 PM

TE

So very sorry, Cheryl. We will miss him so much. I can't believe I will never hear him again from your pontoon. YOOO! It just won't be the same next summer. Makes me cry. And of course the 'finest filly' comments will never happen again. Our very deepest sympathy to the whole family. Tammy and Lee.

Tammy Ebersole - January 02, 2019 at 05:08 PM

NG

Courtney was one of the first people I met when we came to the lake. He was larger than life, and we will miss him yelling out to us as we went by in our pontoon. Cheryl , we are so sorry for your loss. Nancy Grover

Nancy Grover - January 03, 2019 at 11:52 AM

GR

So sorry for your loss, Cheryl. Sending love and prayers .Fred and Gloria Rodammer

Gloria Rodammer - January 04, 2019 at 09:59 PM