



## David W. Seiter

May 18, 1929 - July 6, 2016

David Wellington Seiter, age 87, passed away peacefully at the Battle Creek VA Medical Center on Wednesday, July 6, 2016, with family at his bedside. David was born the son of David and Alma (Irish) Seiter on May 18, 1929, in Pontiac. He proudly served his Country in the U.S. Army where he was stationed in Korea and Germany. Dave was an active member of the Clare Farwell American Legion Post 558, often seen playing "Taps" at services for his fallen comrades. He was a past member of the John Q. Look Masonic Lodge #404 in Clare and a member of the Clare United Methodist Church. David served on the Clare Police Department, owned and operated Star Cab Company, Seiter's Marathon, started Clare Automotive Parts Exchange, and later D. Wellington Craftworks. On his 44th birthday he graduated with a Bachelor's degree from Northwood Institute in Automotive Parts Management. David was united in marriage to Virginia Cole-Walthew on May 28, 1994. After retirement, he dedicated 12 years caring for his parents. Dave thoroughly enjoyed woodworking, stock car racing, leather tooling, coin collecting and drawing on napkins to illustrate his point. He loved reciting the "Potato Bug" story he learned from his grandfather to his grandchildren.

David is survived by his wife of twenty-two years, Virginia of Harrison; his children David R. (Carol) Seiter of Plainwell, Connie Lee Berg of DeWitt, Kevin (Debbie) Seiter of Madison Heights; six grandchildren, David M. (Wendy) Seiter of Indianapolis, IN, Lorie (Todd) DeHoff of Wellington, CO, Jennifer (Craig) Byer of Gig Harbor, WA, Jill (Sean) Baugh of Tacoma, WA,

Hannah and Zack Seiter of Madison Heights; seven great grandchildren; three sisters, Alma Lee Owens of Midland, Connie Jane Garthe of Traverse City and Madeline (Tom) Brockway of DeWitt; numerous nieces and nephews; friend and comrade Clayton Pomranky; and his many, many friends at Witbeck's Family Foods. David was predeceased by his parents, David and Alma.

A Memorial Service will take place on Saturday, August 13, 2016 at 1 P.M. at the Clare United Methodist Church followed by honors rendered by the Clare Farwell American Legion Post 558 at the Cherry Grove Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Battle Creek VA Medical Center Palliative Care Unit, 5500 Armstrong Road, Battle Creek, MI 49037, where he received outstanding medical care. Arrangements were handled by the Clare Chapel of Stephenson-Wyman Funeral Home. On-line guestbook available at [www.stephenson-wyman.com](http://www.stephenson-wyman.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Cherry Grove Cemetery

1000 Cedar St.  
Clare, MI 48617

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 13. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Clare United Methodist Church  
105 E. Seventh Street  
Clare, MI 48617

## Service

AUG 13. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ I have known Dave since childhood and I knew him as being kind, loving, compassionate and loyal to a fault. I never heard him utter an unkind word and his sense of humor was such a gift. He always made me laugh. When we lost our daughter he missed the service so later he made a special trip to Auburn to offer his condolences and make sure we were ok and let us know he loved us. I always felt a special bond and loved him. Rest in peace, Jerry & Evie

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**Jerry & Evie Barnes** - August 12, 2016 at 08:20 AM

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“ Dad,

*Sound Christ-like character comes from the Heavenly Father taught through our earthly fathers. You taught me patience, kindness, grace, mercy, and forgiveness as Grandpa Seiter taught you.*

*You showed me unconditional love; gave me joy; instilled fairness, respect, honesty no matter what; and great compassion for others.*

*Thank you, Dad, for exemplifying these qualities and for training me up in the way I should go.*

*May your legacy live on in the lives of your children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, and their children's children.*

*Rest in peace, Papa.*

*With All My Love,*

*Connie Lee aka Your Georgie Girl*

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**Connie Berg** - August 09, 2016 at 02:32 PM