



Max Hosier

September 16, 1922 - June 8, 2013

CEDAR FALLS-Max Merle Hosier, 90, of Cedar Falls, died Saturday, June 8, 2013 at his residence in Cedar Falls.

He was born September 16, 1922, in Fairbury, Nebraska, the son of Forrest and Olive Roland Hosier. He married Janice Aleene Kimsey August 4, 1946, in Farragut, IA.

Max served his Country in the United States Navy during World War II and for 20 plus years in the Navy Reserves. He received his BA degree from Peru State Teachers College and both his MA and PhD degrees from the University of Northern Colorado, Greeley. He taught 4th-6th grades at Price Laboratory School and later was a Professor of Reading and Language Arts at the University of Northern Iowa, retiring in 1988.

Survived by his wife of Cedar Falls; three sons, Chuck (Diane) Hosier of Waterloo and Perry and Andy Hosier, both of Cedar Falls; four grandchildren, Tonie, Kayla, Paul and David; and five great grandchildren, Justin, Lucie, Ava, Alana, and Clint.

Preceded in death by one son, John B. Hosier; and one brother, Forrest Hosier.

Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 11, 2013 at the Richardson Funeral Service in Cedar Falls. Private family services will occur at a later date. Interment will be in the Greenwood Cemetery, Cedar Falls. Online condolences may be left at www.richardsonfuneralservice.com. Memorial contributions may be directed to St. Timothy's United Methodist Church.

Tribute Wall

LM

“ I had Dr. Hosier for reading and language arts classes while taking "the block" for elementary education in 1967-68--in the days when elementary teaching majors had to learn to play piano and set up a loom for weaving! He taught us practical methods that really worked in the classroom and gave us a solid foundation for teaching. He influenced hundreds of elementary teachers during his career who in turn taught thousands of children in Iowa and throughout the U.S. and beyond. What a legacy! But what I remember most about Dr. Hosier was his kindness. He really cared about his students and wanted us to succeed not just in school, but in life. When I returned to UNI to get my M.A. in 1981, Dr. Hosier remembered me. I wasn't just a student number to him; I was a person. He was a remarkable human being and throughout my teaching career in Iowa, Thailand and Germany I was a better teacher because of him. He really did make the world a better place and his goodness lives on.

Lois Auliff Murdoch - December 05, 2013 at 11:25 AM

WA

“ WE thought the world of Max. We loved that he perused garage sales, farm sales, estate sales, loaded up the left overs and called them his treasures. We loved that his fences sometimes contained car top carriers. Wylie had his Charlais cows at the farm for a few years, and we visited Max and the cows often. When we bought our cabin in Glen Haven, Max inspected the trees and the plants and the rocks and pronounced it all good. He was a wonderful professor with an affinity for students, young and old. Rest in peace, Max, and our condolences to Jan, Perry, Andy, and Chuck. Rosemary and Wylie

Wylie and Rosemary Anderson - October 15, 2013 at 03:34 PM

SA

“ I had the privilege of taking a class with Dr. Hosier. It was a dreary March day when he walked in bright and cheerful as usual sporting a colorful tie. It was that day that I learned a wonderful lesson- always wear something bright and colorful on gloomy days because your kids will respond. Every time it is overcast and I am preparing for my school day, I choose something that is cheery. My sympathies at this time of your loss. Dr. Hosier was well respected in the education world.

Susan Ackerman - October 15, 2013 at 03:34 PM

JB

“ Dr. Hosier was a wonderful teacher at the Lab school. I have fond memories of 4th grade. So much fun. Celebrating his life and remembering his loved ones at this time.

Jackie Bradford - October 15, 2013 at 03:34 PM

MK

“ Dr Hosier was my 4th grade teacher about 50 years ago and I still think of him as my favorite teacher ever. A great attitude and energy and milk shakes for good work.

Mark Knutson - October 15, 2013 at 03:34 PM

LW

“ Max was my 6th grade teacher in 1954. He made every school day a great learning experience. It was Max that instilled in me a great love of mathematics and the world it opened up. I will always have fond memories of Max.

My thoughts and prayers go out to his family.

Larry A. Wood - October 15, 2013 at 03:34 PM

CJ

“ *Max Hosier*

Christie Kruse Jungweber - October 15, 2013 at 03:34 PM

JF

“ *I was saddened to hear of Max's passing. Had we been in town, I would have been with you at the celebration of his life. IQ knew Max as a giant in the field of education. It was a pleasure to know Andy..I believe you came to either Lincoln or Cedar Heights as. Cadet teacher..*

Max was a wonderful teacher and friend. He made me ..and everyone he met...very special. My deepest sympathy to all of the Hosier family. John Focht

John Focht - October 15, 2013 at 03:34 PM

MS

“ *I took graduate classes from Dr. Hosier in the seventies. He was one of my favorite professors because he was demanding, yet kind. Once I began my doctoral program I realized, again, how much I had learned from him. I always smile when I think about his office and how he organized it. He will be missed.*

Michele L. Simpson - October 15, 2013 at 03:34 PM

DH

“ Mr. Hosier was my 4th grade teacher in the mid 1950's at the Lab School in Cedar Falls. He was a special teacher and a kind, kind man. My 4th grade year coincided with the release of the Davy Crockett series on Disney. He must have known that we didn't have a TV (by choice) and that my father had died when I was three. Mr. Hosier and his wife lived in the "quonsets" just south of the ISTC campus and he drove a 1949 or 1950 "bullet nosed" Studebaker convertible. While his student, he and his wife invited me to supper on at least three occasions to see those Disney productions. That was, of course, before their own three sons were born. I also ran into Max on the UNI (the old ISTC) campus when I was working on undergraduate and graduate degrees. Needless to say, I held Dr, Hosier in very high regard and the world is a better place for him having passed through it. I will always cherish my memories of him and feel that I am a better person for having known him. God bless him and his family.

David Hanawalt - October 15, 2013 at 03:34 PM