

## Douglas Karl Hodes

April 15, 1960 - October 12, 2020

For those of you who would like to view the Live Stream of the Memorial Service please [click here]<https://vimeo.com/486451118>

It is with much sadness that the world has lost Douglas Karl Hodes who passed away peacefully on Monday, October 12, 2020, after a heroic year-long bout with cancer. He was 60 years old.

He was born on April 15, 1960 to Richard and Alice Hodes of Toledo. He leaves behind his sister, Connie Hodes, and his brother, Chris Hodes, two Aunts, many cousins as well as extended family siblings. He also leaves a son, Phillip, and two grandchildren who were recently made known to him.

His childhood and teen years were spent growing up in the Old Orchard neighborhood. He enjoyed playing outside and had a precocious nature about him. He enjoyed tinkering--building model cars and planes, go-carts, mini bikes. As such, he developed an uncanny ability to deconstruct and reconstruct anything. This ability led to self-taught mechanical, plumbing, electrical and carpentry aptitudes. He was a Boy Scout and a member of the First Congregational church and the P.F. Flyers. He enjoyed annual vacations to the Hiawatha Sportsman's Club in the U.P. of Michigan fishing, playing outside in the woods and waters. He was also a very clever practical joker.

He attended DeVilbiss High School from 1974 to 1978 where he developed wonderful artistic abilities. In H.S. he was asked along with others to paint a mural on the H.S. wall as part of a class art project. He was very proud of the work. He had a large group of friends from H.S. and the church.

Except for a few years living in Colorado and Michigan, Doug lived out his adult life in the Old West End of Toledo where he enjoyed life as it unfolded. Much of his time was spent working on the classic cars he collected. The Old West End was his home. He loved his neighborhood, especially participating in the Old West End festival each year.

His talent and abilities were only outweighed by his kind and giving nature. He was not a man of great means but what he gave to others came from the size of his heart.

Whether family, extended family, friends, or acquaintances, Doug took time with little gestures of love that folks remember. He helped with your car repairs, home repairs, landscaping, or if you needed anything artistically created. He had many friends he came to know through his acts of kindness. His playful and quirky sense of humor were infectious and made impacts on so many people's lives.

Doug loved animals, especially his cats that he would take in over the years. He worked for a variety of employers including The Van Connection, U-Haul, Calphalon, and most recently performing car customization at Alex Motors in Toledo.

He will be missed by many. May God rest his soul.

The family will arrange a memorial for Doug to take place on Saturday, November 14, 2020, in the Toledo area. Details to be posted later so check back here or on Douglas Hodes' Facebook page. Please feel free to reach out to Chris at [jchodes1@aol.com](mailto:jchodes1@aol.com) <<mailto:jchodes1@aol.com>> or Connie at [con643@gmail.com](mailto:con643@gmail.com) <<mailto:con643@gmail.com>> to RSVP or leave notes about your Dougie experiences.

# Events

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**NOV**   **Visitation**            10:30AM - 11:15AM

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Coyle Funeral Home

1770 S. Reynolds Road, Toledo, OH, US, 43614

**NOV**   **Graveside Service**                    01:00PM

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Woodlawn

1502 W Central Ave, Toledo, OH, US, 43606

# Comments

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“ An external video has been added.



**Coyle Funeral and Cremation Services** - March 03 at 02:50 PM

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“ Doug has been a wonderful friend and neighbor for 28 years. He has been like a son or brother to me. He was fiercely proud of his family and their history. He acquired many skills, carpentry, mechanical, automotive, drywall, plumbing, --the list could go on and on. Doug took pride in any job he tackled.. I have said that he had a symbiotic relationship with trees and shrubs that he loved to prune and shape. (Then he thought he owned them) Doug was artistic, creative and humorous. Once I could not remember the last name of French chef Jacque Pepin and Doug said maybe it was Jacque Cooksteau!  
Cats were all happy to know him.

Doug was kind, considerate, thoughtful; a loyal, trusted friend whom I will always miss.

Liz

**Liz Harrington** - November 14, 2020 at 12:28 PM

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“ Doug was such a pleasant neighbor & able to repair many items. He was always meticulous with any project he adopted. He will be missed! -neighbor, Linda Nelson

**Linda Nelson** - November 14, 2020 at 11:33 AM

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“ The Raders - Phil, Jennifer, Lauren and Jessica purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Douglas Karl Hodes.

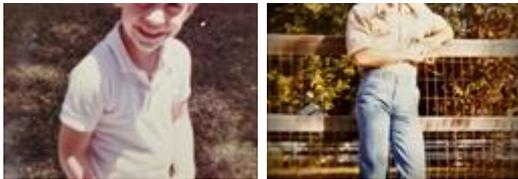


**The Raders - Phil, Jennifer, Lauren and Jessica** - November 13, 2020 at 11:31 AM

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**Connie** - October 27, 2020 at 12:26 PM

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“ Many times Dough and I would sit and talk about cars for hours either on the phone or my house or his.he was the only one of my friends that we could hang all day and not run out of things to talk about. From cars to working on houses or hotwheel cars.Nevwr a dull moment with him.I will truly miss him he was more like a brother to me than a friend.R.I.P Doug

**Jeff Brown** - October 18, 2020 at 10:43 PM

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“ Sad to hear of Doug's passing. I have a lot of good memories of him. He was very caring and helpful to me. He was my YouTube video on car repair before YouTube. He would guide and teach me in repairing my beater cars. He was an immense help to my mother over the years, for which I am very appreciative. His selflessness was extraordinary. I wish we would have kept in touch more. I would occasionally run into him at Kroger scouring through bins of Hot Wheels cars, looking for the latest, greatest. Always a good conversation. Rest in peace

**Jason LeGree** - October 18, 2020 at 12:46 PM



“ Thank you Jason. I know we were all grateful for Doug's presence in our lives. I hope you are doing well and living life to the fullest.

**Connie Hodes** - October 19, 2020 at 08:05 PM



“ I have a crabapple tree in my front yard which over years had become badly overgrown. I asked him to take a look at it. He came out, studied it for a while, walked around several times, studied it again, and then started working on it. By working I mean he combined trimming it on the ground and crawling up into it to cut limbs just right. By the time he had finished, my lowly Crabtree had been turned into a Bonsai work of art. He had an amazing sense of design and how to make that design real. Thanks Doug.

**Dave Hallenbeck** - November 14, 2020 at 12:49 AM



“ Dear Chris and family,  
I am sorry to hear that you have lost a wonderful and fun-to-be-around brother. Know that you are in my thoughts and prayers. I hope during the bluest of moments, silly memories will cross your mind to lift your heart.

love,  
Dave

**Dave Barciz** - October 18, 2020 at 08:22 AM



“ Thank you for your kind words, Dave!

**Connie Hodes** - October 19, 2020 at 08:04 PM



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**Stephen Couture Jr** - October 15, 2020 at 07:22 PM



“ Stephen, Wonderful picture. Love it. Connie

**Connie** - October 15, 2020 at 09:50 PM

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“ He always wore tube socks. Frannie thought he was crazy for wearing them in the summer too. Doug did fabulous yard work for frannie, working it like an art project. His sense of humor was much like his dads. I haven't seen him in 5 years, but I will remember him always. Hugs to you both, Chris and Connie.

**Donna Legree Rohlff** - October 15, 2020 at 07:02 PM



“ Donna, Miss you. Thank you much for being such a good friend and sister to Doug. Connie

**Connie** - October 15, 2020 at 09:51 PM

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**Connie** - October 15, 2020 at 05:23 PM

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**Connie** - October 15, 2020 at 05:21 PM



“ This is exactly how I see Doug in my mind

**Cynthia LeGree Vahle** - October 15, 2020 at 07:35 PM