



Dale Carl Siefke

July 1, 1936 - July 6, 2020

Dale Carl Siefke, 84, passed away peacefully on July 6, 2020 surrounded by his family at Hospice in Perrysburg. Dale was born in Toledo on July 1, 1936 to Garold R. and Hulda M. (Mitchell) Siefke. He proudly served in the U.S. Airforce after high school, and graduated from the University of Toledo with a degree in Law Enforcement. Dale worked as a police officer and a detective for the city of Toledo for 29 years, and then for the Lucas County Family Court as a Baliff for 18 years.

He was passionate for his service to the Toledo community and dedicated to his family. Dale was a proud member of St. Patrick of Heatherdowns Church, the Toledo Police Retirees Association, and the American Legion Post 553. Dale loved his family, especially the little children. He enjoyed roller-skating, square-dancing, camping, and vacationing with his family. In his later years, he enjoyed pickle ball at the YMCA. Dale loved collecting and repairing antique radios, an interest he developed after his time in the Air Force. Dale made friends easily, and he will be missed by all those who knew and loved him. He is survived by his sister Joyce (Frank) Artrip, his beloved wife Geri, son Brian (Rachael Anson), daughter Brooke (Jeffrey) Pawlecki, and grandchildren: Isabelle, Brandon, and Abigail Pawlecki, and Avantaea Siefke. He was preceded in death by his parents, his brother Gerald, and sisters Joanne, Sharon, and Sandra.

There will be a Memorial Visitation at Coyle Funeral Home, 1770 S. Reynolds Rd. on Sunday, July 12, from 1-5 p.m. with a Fraternal Order of Police Honor

Guard service and Scripture service at 4:30. The Memorial Mass will be held on Monday, July 13 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Patrick of Heatherdowns, and interment at Resurrection Cemetery with military honors. Masks and social distancing are expected.

Please leave a condolence message for the family and view Dale's video tribute at CoyleFuneralHome.com.

Cemetery Details

Resurrection Cemetery

5725 Hill Avenue
Toledo, OH 43615

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL **12**. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Coyle Funeral Home
1770 S. Reynolds Road
Toledo, OH 43614

Funeral

JUL **13**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St Patrick Of Heatherdowns
4201 Heatherdowns Blvd
Toledo, OH

Tribute Wall

FC

“ Please accept our sincere sympathies for you Geri and your family. May Dale Rest In Peace and may the good Lord give you and your family comfort through these hurtful times. We will miss him sitting with us at the retirees dinners. He was always so kind and considerate to us. Sincerely Frank and Janine Calipetro

Frank and Janine Calipetro - July 12, 2020 at 07:39 PM

DG

“ The Officers and Members of the Adams Township Post 553 join in extending Heartfelt Sympathy to you and your family at this Time of Sorrow.

Sincerely, David D. Georgia, Chaplain Post 553

David Georgia - July 12, 2020 at 03:39 PM

BP

“ I am so sprry for your loss. I remember one time when my boys got into some trouble over a girl Dale gave them a story about there being many flowers in the meadow and maybe they needed to pick a different flower. My son Mark ended up marrying the girl that got them in trouble. I'm sorry I cannot be there for the services but with my medical issues I don't feel comfortable being among a group of people with the covid-19 still being active at this time. Prayers for your family during this difficult time.

Barbara Podbielniak - July 12, 2020 at 10:22 AM

BW

“ Dear Geri, this message is from Bev, Bud, and Bernie -- three friends who will miss Dale dearly. We will never forget him and will treasure his friendship always. A kinder man there never was. Know that he loved you and his family with his whole heart and was very proud of each and every one of his children and grandchildren. Take care of yourself . Often when you think your at the end of something, youre at the beginning of something else. Take strength in friends and family. God Bless all of you. Rest in peace, dear friend.

Beverly westrick - July 11, 2020 at 04:52 PM



“ My favorite memory was taking my children to go and skate with their Uncle Dale. Uncle Dale made everything fun he had a smile and a laughter that lit up the room. Uncle Dale loved to be with the children and listen to the things that they had to say and he could make everyone laugh no matter how old you were. We will miss you Uncle Dale.

Bonesvillegas Villegas - July 11, 2020 at 01:40 PM

FP

“ Dear Gerri,
My sympathy to you and the family. I always found Dale to be the silent guy in the room. May He be welcomed into heaven with all the noise of a Mardi Gras mass band. May he Rest In Peace.
Fr. Greg Peatee

Fr Greg Peatee - July 11, 2020 at 12:05 PM

TE

“ We are saddened to hear about Dale. He was such a nice guy with a beautiful smile. I know he will be missed by everyone who knew him. It heals the heart to know that he is with the Father and that we shall all see him again.

Tom and Melanie Elter - July 11, 2020 at 10:13 AM

CV

“ 2 files added to the album VIDEO TRIBUTE



COYLE FUNERAL HOME VIDEOS - July 11, 2020 at 09:29 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Dale Carl Siefke.



July 10, 2020 at 05:09 PM

PP

“ Our deepest sympathy to you, Geri, and your family on your loss. Dale was a true gentleman and Bob & I are proud we had the pleasure of knowing him even if it was just over the past few years. May he rest in peace.

Patricia Ann Przybylski - July 10, 2020 at 04:49 PM

WW

“ *With Love, Carol, Terri & Wit purchased the America the Beautiful for the family of Dale Carl Siefke.*



With Love, Carol, Terri & Wit - July 09, 2020 at 09:10 PM



“ *Rainbow Reflections Basket was purchased for the family of Dale Carl Siefke.*



July 09, 2020 at 07:19 PM

SG

“ *Steven Gorney purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Dale Carl Siefke.*



Steven Gorney - July 09, 2020 at 06:59 PM

DB

“ In this world there are men and there are great men. My Uncle.. Dale Siefke was a great man by any one's definition of the word. A man who served God, his country and the law. A man who adored his wife, was proud of his children's accomplishments and loved his grandchildren. A family man and a friend to all. A gentle giant who couldn't turn down a good piece of pie, or an opportunity to roller skate. A man whose smile and laughter made everyone he met feel welcome. A man who always found time to make me feel special and important. A man who made this world a better place because he was in it. I know we will meet again one day but until we do I will miss you .I love you Uncle Dale and I am sure Heaven shines a bit brighter now that you are home.

Diane Basich - July 09, 2020 at 05:41 PM

DP

“ We are so sorry for your loss.
Dale was such a nice man
Sincerely, Diane & Jim Phillips

Diane Phillips - July 09, 2020 at 04:20 PM

SM

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Sally Melle - July 09, 2020 at 03:53 PM

SM

“ Dale and my husband, Phil, were good buddies at the skating rink. They are now skating together again in heaven. I am sure they are having fun! My sincerest sympathies to all of Dale's family. Sally Melle

Sally Melle - July 09, 2020 at 03:50 PM

Kelly Woda

“ Loved Uncle Dale..Great man. I send my sincerest condolences to his sister Joyce, nephew Frank and his wife Geri and all his family. Thinking of all of you at this difficult time. -Kelly Artrip

Kelly Woda - July 09, 2020 at 10:42 AM

LH

“ Love, Steve & Jennifer Henderson purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Dale Carl Siefke.



Love, Steve & Jennifer Henderson - July 09, 2020 at 08:01 AM

WR

“ With Love, Jeffrey and Heather Rodriguez purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Dale Carl Siefke.



With Love, Jeffrey and Heather Rodriguez - July 09, 2020 at 01:49 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dale Carl Siefke.*



July 09, 2020 at 12:48 AM



“ *My heart goes out to you all ... so very sorry for your loss! Sending you love and prayers!*

Lynn (Buckenmyer) Konoff - July 08, 2020 at 06:52 PM

“ My condolences and comfort prayers to Geri, Brian, Brooke, Joyce and family.

Dale was a man who exemplified the kind of person everyone should strive to be. He served his country as a soldier, police officer and as an American who was proud of his country. He was a good husband, father, brother, grandfather and a friend to many.

I met Dale while we both were felony detectives with the Toledo Police Department. We worked many cases together and we were a good team. Dale enjoyed serving his community and was an exceptional detective. He performed his duties and never quit following leads until he solved his cases or exhausted all leads. He was dedicated to the victims of his cases and treated everyone with kindness and respect.

One of the most serious cases Dale and I worked on together was the investigation and arrest of serial killer Anthony Cook who with his brother Nathaniel Cook abducted, raped and brutally murdered at least nine young people during their horrible murder spree in 1980 and 1981. During the investigation of the Peter Sawiicki murder, the last and final murder in the series, it was Dale who obtained information from an informant that lead to the identification of killer Anthony Cook as a suspect. Since Dale was not assigned to the original investigation he turned the informant over to me. I was the lead investigator for the murder spree and through that tip we were able to build a case against Anthony Cook for the Sawiicki murder and convicted him at trial. After the conviction of Anthony Cook the series of rape/murder cases came to an abrupt stop. Eighteen years later when DNA became prevalent the new science was used to identify not only Anthony Cook but his brother Nathaniel Cook as serial killers. After the arrest of Nathaniel both brothers admitted to at least 9 of the murders that we always suspected them of committing. This was just one of many successful cases Dale was involved in solving.

Dale and I remained friends for many years and a group of retired detectives would get together for lunch periodically. We will miss those occasions and we will miss our good friend who was a

pleasure to work with and to know.

Rest in peace my friend,

Frank Stiles

Frank Stiles - July 08, 2020 at 03:14 PM