



McMillan E. Kosier

October 14, 1930 - October 11, 2013

Kosier

McMillan E.

McMillan E. Kosier, age 82, of Toledo passed away on October 11, 2013.

He was born to David and Eleanor Kosier on October 14, 1930. He attended Libbey High School and went on to serve his country proudly in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict from 1951-53. After his discharge he married the love of his life, Helen Ohlman and together they raised 3 children.

In August of 1958 he began his own business, Kosier Hardwood Floors and successfully ran it for over 50 years until the time of his retirement. He was known as the best hardwood floor man in town. He enjoyed roller skate dancing, round and square dancing, hunting, archery and fishing. He also enjoyed many happy hours remodeling and spending time with family and friends at his cottage in Cheboygan, MI. Mick's favorite way to begin his work day was meeting his friends for early morning coffee.

Mick was preceded in death by his parents, 4 brothers and 3 sisters. He is survived by his loving wife of 58 years, Helen; children, Brian (Nancy), Eric (Tammy), Becky (Kevin) Taylor; grandchildren, Nicole Kosier, Erin (Brad) Kunz, Austin and Mitchell Kosier, David, Abigail and Madeline Kosier, Alyssa and Seth Taylor; brother, LaVern (Margaret) Kosier and many many nieces & nephews.

Family and friends may visit at the Coyle Funeral Home, 1770 S. Reynolds Rd., on Monday, October 14th from 2-8 p.m. where a Scripture Service will be

recited at 7 p.m. Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, October 15th, beginning at 9:15 a.m., in the mortuary, followed by a Funeral Mass at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church at 10 a.m. Interment Resurrection Cemetery. Memorials may take the form of contributions to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church or to the St. Luke's Hospital Foundation to support the Pulmonary Rehab Program.

Please view and sign our online "guest registry" at CoyleFuneralHome.com

Cemetery Details

Resurrection Cemetery

5725 Hill Ave
Toledo, OH 43615

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **14**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Coyle Funeral and Cremation Services
1770 S. Reynolds Road
Toledo, OH 43614
(419) 865-1295
<https://www.coylefuneralhome.com>

Tribute Wall

JK

“ *Helen, Brian, Eric And Becky,
I am so saddened with your loss, as Mick was like a father to me during my teenage years, and I can fondly remember him mentor me on how to sand floors on a couple of jobs. I have nothing but fond memories of life while being around him, and you guys were all like family to me as well. I miss those days, but great memories remain! My love, thoughts and prayers go out to all of you, wish I could be there, believe me!*

*Joe Kramer
McMurdo Station, Antarctica (currently working)
Charleston, SC (home)*

Joe Kramer - October 23, 2013 at 08:35 AM

CO

“ October 19, 2013

Dear Helen, Brian and family,

Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Although we live in California now we were able to see the obituary notice and article in the Toledo Blade online. What wonderful comments about a remarkable man. The video was online and was beautiful and touching. We enjoyed knowing Mick and his sense of humor. God bless all of you!

Tom & Marge Lewandowski

*Tom & Marge Lewandowski,
Ladera Ranch, California*

October 16, 2013

Dear Helen and family. sorry to hear of mickeys passing. We had some fun times when we were younger. Love you all patty byington smith

October 16, 2013

Helen, I am so sorry to hear of Mickey's passing. He was such a fun person and I have so many fond memories of the times that I was with you and your family. My heart goes out to you and all.

Love, Barbara Byington

October 15, 2013

Words can not express my deep sorrow for your loss. My deepest sympathies.

~

*Gail Keaton,
Ohio*

October 14, 2013

Dear Helen and Family,

I feel so fortunate to have had Mickey work in my home...so I know first hand about his meticulous craftsmanship. I also have memories of you and Mick visiting my parents, telling wonderful stories, and even dancing. I will keep you in my prayers.

Christine Manzey

October 14, 2013

Dear Helen and family. I am so sorry for your loss. Mickey was a great guy and I have many fond memories of you both with my mom and dad and of course my aunt Betty. I will keep you in my prayers.

~

Beth-Anne Manzey Zaenger,
Powell, Ohio

October 14, 2013

Dear Helen & Family:

I will always be grateful for all the things you and Mc did for me, will never forget. You and Mc are very special people with a generous heart. Thank you i am so blessed to have know Mc and you, Helen.

Love Joyce

~

Joyce Ledford,
Cheney, Washington

October 14, 2013

Helen and the Kosier family,

We are so sadden by Mick's passing, he has touched of our lives and was truly a great man. He will be missed by everyone that ever knew him! Our love and support will always be here for you.

~

Joel, Leslie and Collin Rayle,
Toledo, Ohio

October 13, 2013

Kosier family, you are in our thoughts and prayers. With deepest sympathy; Martin family, Tulsa, ok

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*Barbara Martin,
tulsa, Oklahoma*

October 13, 2013

Our deepest sympathies to all of you from the entire Manzey family, especially my dad who shares so many wonderful memories of great times with Mickey and Helen!

~

*Laura Manzey,
Monclova, Ohio*

October 13, 2013

Dear family my sympathy at this difficult time.

October 12, 2013

Sorry for your loss. He was a good man

~

*Cliff Kaighin,
Toledo, Ohio*

October 12, 2013

Mick was a gracious and giving friend. We could not have built our house without him in "76". The floors (with the help of his sons too), woodwork (what would we have done without his mitre box), hanging dry wall (that toe kicker was a life saver) and Helen helping with washing 2500 square feet of under lament, to which Mick replied "now that's a first". We will never forget how much you helped when Bill died. Mick's big heart left a lasting impression on many people and his memory will be in our hearts forever. Our

hearts ache because we cannot be with you at this time. Our prayers are with all of you.

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*Glenn and Phyllis Szekely,
Northwood, Ohio*

October 12, 2013

Kevin & Becky, Sorry to hear about your Dad. You and your Family have our deepest sympathy. We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers.

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*Terry Tillman,
Largo, Florida*

October 12, 2013

Mickey was like a grandpa to me and my brothers. I enjoyed growing up next door to him and have fond memories of him playing with all the kids in the back yard. My love and prayers go to Helen and the family.

~

*Jamie Benedict,
Lewis Center, Ohio*

October 12, 2013

Their was always a smile on Uncle Mic's face and he always made me laugh.

~

Ruth Anderson,

Ottawa Lake, Michigan

“ News Article) McMillan E. "Mick" Kosier, the owner of a hardwood flooring business whose reputation for quality work ensured he was in constant demand, died Friday in his South Toledo home. He was 82.

He suffered from chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and emphysema, his wife, Helen said.

After his return from Army service in Germany, Mr. Kosier did construction work. In August, 1955, he bought a used truck and new sanding equipment and struck out on his own, forming Kosier Hardwood Floors, said his wife, who kept the books.

Builders of new houses contracted the firm.

Homeowners hired Mr. Kosier to refinish floors, whether for appearance's sake or because allergies led them to get rid of carpeting. He installed and maintained church aisles and dance floors.

And those builders and homeowners told others, and his calendar quickly filled based on referrals alone.

"I don't ever remember a time he was looking for work," his wife said. And he often worked 12-hour days and six-day weeks. At his retirement in 2007, he was doing work for the grandchildren of customers he'd started with, said Eric Hoffman of Hoffman Builders Inc.

"He was the best in town, no question," Mr. Hoffman said.

Mr. Kosier was contacted by interior designers in Chicago and Pittsburgh and turned down an expenses-paid offer from a would-be client in California, said James Begell, who worked for Mr. Kosier when off duty as a Toledo firefighter. " 'No, I don't want to get that big,' " Mr. Begell recalled Mr. Kosier saying.

Then there was the time that Mr. Kosier finally made it to the Ottawa Hills home of a woman who'd been trying for months to get an estimate. When he arrived, she was having a card party. Several of her guests noticed Mr. Kosier in the doorway and called out, "Hey, Mick!" They'd been clients, Mr. Begell said.

"She was impressed. That sold her right away," Mr. Begell said. "He was a very good guy and honest and very personable. We just tried to do good work, that's all. He didn't slough off on anything. He looked

at all the details." He was born Oct. 14, 1930, to Eleanor and David Kosier.

The youngest of nine, he was given his maternal grandmother's family name. He grew up in South Toledo and attended Libbey High School. He later took a photography class at the University of Toledo.

He and his wife, before they married, liked roller-skate dancing. For decades, they took part in round and square dances organized by groups they belonged to. He was easygoing and even tempered.

"If I saw him angry three times in 58 years, I would be stretching it," his wife said. "He was very social and loved people."

He and friends met for morning coffee at Schmucker's Restaurant on Reynolds Road and more recently at Dino's in Maumee. He liked to hunt in northwest Ohio and eastern Ontario. He fished Lake Erie and when visiting the family cottage in Cheboygan, Mich.

Surviving are his wife, Helen, whom he married Oct. 15, 1955; sons, Brian and Eric Kosier; daughter, Becky Taylor; brother, LaVern Kosier, and nine grandchildren.

Visitation will be 2-8 p.m. Monday in the Coyle Funeral Home, with a Scripture service at 7 p.m. Monday in the mortuary. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church.

The family suggests tributes to the church or to the St. Luke's Hospital Foundation in support of the pulmonary rehabilitation program.

coyle - October 21, 2013 at 02:11 PM



“ *Vivid Recollections was purchased for the family of McMillan E. Kosier.*



October 14, 2013 at 01:06 PM

JC

“ We were saddened to learn of Mick's death. Mick was our go to guy on not only installing, but maintaining our wood floors. He was honest, fair and an excellent installer. His work never required a recall.

We wish to express our sympathy to Mick's family. He was a husband, father and grandfather his family can be proud of. We considered him our friend and will miss him.

Jeff and Judy Cohen

Jeff Cohen - October 14, 2013 at 11:04 AM

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COYLE FUNERAL HOME VIDEOS - October 14, 2013 at 09:05 AM

SS

What a beautiful video tribute! Mick was an amazing, handsome, talented, and generous man! We will miss him!

Susan Schwartz - October 14, 2013 at 10:44 AM

SA

Oh My..... beautiful video tribute of a truly beautiful man.....Although we didn't know Mick until after Kevin and Becky purchased the Campground my husband especially hit it off stupendously with Mick, reminded him of his own dad and whenever they came to camp he and Hillbilly made their rounds together...He will be sadly missed.

Sandy - October 14, 2013 at 11:17 AM

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COYLE FUNERAL HOME VIDEOS - October 14, 2013 at 07:30 AM

BD

“ Brian and Family, Sorry to hear of the loss of your Father. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.
Brenda Druschel (ex-receptionist at Hickory Farms)

Brenda Druschel - October 13, 2013 at 07:03 PM



“ Written in the Stars was purchased for the family of McMillan E. Kosier.



October 12, 2013 at 11:22 PM