

GERALD COURTRIGHT SCHOLARSHIP FUND



Gerald "Jerry" Courtright
1947-2020

*“And now these three remain: **faith, hope & love.**
But the greatest of these is **love.**”*

—1 Corinthians 13:13

Taken from this life too early, Gerald “Jerry” Courtright left a legacy of faith, hope, and never-ending love. A devout Catholic, Jerry’s faith guided and centered him. He fought for his country, loved his church, and adored his family above all.

Jerry was born and raised in Mt. Pleasant. He was a member of the 1966 graduating class of Sacred Heart Academy, and a lifelong member of Sacred Heart Parish. He proudly enlisted in the U.S. Navy Reserve, serving in Vietnam from 1968-1969.

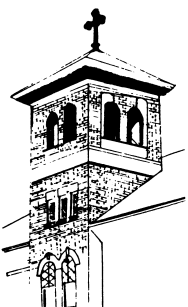
He married the love of his life, Marcia Robinson, on June 12, 1971, at St. Francis Catholic Church in Muskegon. By trade, Jerry was a dental lab technician. He owned and operated Courtright Dental Lab in Mt. Pleasant for 49 years. He and Marcia, active members of Sacred Heart Parish, raised their sons, Benjamin and Peter in Mt. Pleasant and enrolled them in Sacred Heart Academy. Jerry was active in school and parish life. He served as a Sacristan at Masses, sang in the church choir, and led a Saturday morning men’s Bible Study group for more than 10 years.

Jerry was a quiet and humble man who enjoyed the friendship and admiration of many. He had a heart of gold and was the epitome of the mantra “lead with kindness”. His family meant the world to him, and Jerry cherished every moment—even the simple ones, like phone conversations—with his sons and their wives; Ben & Laura Courtright and Peter & Sarah Courtright. His grandchildren were the absolute light of his life: Andrew, Catherine, Elizabeth, Stephen, Teresa, Miles, Sophia, Monty, and one he never knew, but longed to meet: Margot.

His siblings held a special place in his heart, along with their spouses and each niece and nephew. Jerry and Marcia were champions for Seminarians in the Diocese of Saginaw, often making efforts to introduce Sacred Heart Academy youth to options available in the priestly ministry.

When Jerry passed on June 12, 2020 (the date of his 49th wedding anniversary), family, friends, and his cherished wife created the **Gerald Courtright Scholarship Fund** as a legacy of his kind and gentle nature.

The SHA families who benefit from a tuition scholarship gift can think fondly of Jerry Courtright: *A man who faithfully served God and his country and loved his family deeply and unconditionally.*



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