

Pat Siuda Memorial Scholarship Fund



Patrick Siuda
1946-2023

Good grades did not define success for Patrick Siuda. Rather, hard work and perseverance did. His life exceeded his expectations because he was open to opportunities and new experiences.

He grew up in a small town in northern Michigan where job choices were often limited. Upon graduating from his Catholic high school, he served in the Army and then went straight into the Michigan State Police. He was proud to be selected to serve in what he considered an elite department and had many examples over the decades of going above and beyond to not just enforce the law, but to assist those in trouble.

Mr. Siuda thought everyone should help their community, not just those with wealth or prominence. His life exemplified the many ways -- big and small -- that one can lend a hand. In addition to being a State Police trooper and an Army veteran, he served on the Deerfield Township Zoning Board

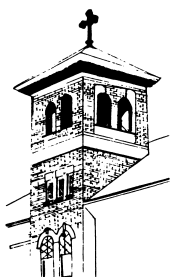
of Appeals, was active in local 4-H programs and coached youth softball teams. He believed in stepping up and helping out to improve the lives of others.

His strong faith sustained him throughout his life. Mr. Siuda was a member of Sacred Heart for more than 40 years, serving as an usher and working the legendary fish fries. He thought it wasn't enough to belong to a group, you needed to be involved in its betterment.

Mr. Siuda possessed a true servant's heart and the volunteer work he loved the most was with Meals on Wheels for the Isabella County Commission on Aging. He delivered more than 37,000 meals, as well as comfort and conversation, for more than 12 years. He had a special affinity for the elderly.

Mr. Siuda wanted his life of public service to inspire students at Sacred Heart Academy to pursue such fields as health services, law enforcement, emergency services, teaching and more.

If he were to give this year's scholarship recipient advice, it would be to start each day with a purpose and "Work hard, your day will come."



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