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Richard Sharrock Obituary

Richard Eugene Sharrock, 92, of Elyria, Ohio went to walk with Jesus March 22, 2023. Richard was born April 26, 1930 in Newcomerstown, Ohio to the late Earl and Jessie Sharrock. Throughout their marriage he and his wife enjoyed traveling the globe as well as attending the theater. He is survived by sons, Steven Richard Sharrock of Massillon and Kirk Alan Sharrock (Machelle) of Marysville; daughter Melody Carol Sharrock of Elyria and grandchildren Jacob Dyer, Arianna Dyer, Elizabeth Sharrock, Jonathan Sharrock. He was preceded in death by his wife of 60 years, Carol Lourene (nee Rice) Sharrock, of Jackson Ohio; brothers, Chester, Bernard, Raymond and Max Sharrock, and sisters, Mildred Grady and Marjorie Stocker. Richard was a 1948 graduate of Newcomerstown High School where he participated in choir, band, cheerleading, and drama and provided the records for school dances. From 1953 to 1955, he was a member of the United States Army where he taught and served in Okinawa. In 1953, he graduated from Kent State University with a Bachelor's degree in Education, majoring in speech and elementary education and was an active participant in the Wesley Players of the Wesley Foundation, with whom he also served as president and musical director. He received his Masters in Education in Elementary Administration from Kent State University in 1957. He continued his education in Elementary Supervision and Administration at The Ohio State University in addition to gaining an Education Specialist and Administration degree through the University of Colorado, Boulder in 1964. He was also a member of the education honors society Kappa Delta Pi. Richard began his Education career as an elementary school teacher from 1955-1957 in the Maple Heights City School District. He became an assistant principal and half-time elementary school teacher at Spring Valley Elementary school in the Elyria School District from 1957-1960 and became principal of Spring Valley and served from 1960-1963. He was given the



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honor of opening Windsor Elementary School as the school's first principal and was affectionately known as "The Duke of Windsor." He would remain at his favorite occupation until he retired in 1990 after serving 27 of his 36 years in education as principal of Windsor Elementary School. He was very proud and had fond memories of initiating the annual school talent show as well as leading the staff and students in God Bless America at the assemblies. Richard was a Charter member of Community United Methodist Church and served on various committees and sang in the men's chorus. He was a life time member of The National Association of Elementary School Administrators, Phi Delta Kappa, National Educators Association and the Ohio Education Association. He was also a member of the Ohio Association of Elementary School Administrators, the Lorain County Elementary Principals Association (president), the Elyria Association of Elementary School Administrators and the Elyria Education Association (president). He participated in initiating the Head Start program in Elyria and was a consultant for the beginning of the four year degree programs at LCCC. His hobbies were enjoying musicals with family and friends, putting puzzles together, eating popcorn, playing Hazi (Bid Euchre), and reading about politics. Friends will be received Saturday, April 1, 2023 from 1:00 pm until the time of a 3:00 pm funeral service at Community United Methodist Church, 680 North Abbe Road, Elyria, Ohio 44035. Reverend Kevin L. Coleman will officiate. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Community United Methodist Church. Photo Album Visitation Saturday, April 01, 2023 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Community United Methodist Church 680 North Abbe Road Elyria, OH 44035 Funeral Service Saturday, April 01, 2023 3:00 PM Community United Methodist Church 680 North Abbe Road Elyria, OH 44035

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April 22 at 8:58 AM



A.J.Trickel posted:

You were the best principal I ever had you always believed in me and never gave up on me I'm just now finding out about your passing may your spirit live on you were a inspiration to me and many of your former students

February 24 at 1:54 PM



Kristen Jones And Joel Schmittgen posted:

Kirk, Melody, and Steve and families, We both send our sympathy in the loss of your dad. Your parents were always so supportive, and we both have many fond memories of them attending all our musical functions at Elyria High. Warmest condolences to you in your time of loss.

April 23 at 8:00 PM



Libby Betounes posted:

To the Sharrock family. Dick and Carol contributed so much to the Elyria community through their talent in music and theatre. My second year of teaching was at Windsor School when Dick was there and we became friends. I admired both of your parents talents and kindnesses. You are all in my heart and prayers.

March 31 at 8:00 PM



Rick Sharrock posted:

Richard was my last surviving uncle. Remember the holidays at my grandparents house when I was young. He always took an interest in me and my sister as well as my cousins. Never forget the bright lights of his movie camera! He is in a better place now. God Bless

March 30 at 8:00 PM



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Timothy Davis posted:

Mr. Sharrock was a wonderful principal and a nice man. I saw him not only in school, but I'd stop and chat with him when he was in his front yard at the corner of Stafford and Abbe Road. He would stop what he was doing and chat. He knew most of his students by name. He was good counsel to me, too. I remember complaining about something and him telling me a similar story that happened to him when he was my age, and it put things into perspective. He was not the principal I FEARED. When I did get into a little trouble, again, he kept it in perspective and treated me fairly. He was always calm and composed but he told me exactly what he thought. I wrote to him twice when I was an adult and he answered my letters. He earned all the good things that he enjoyed. I'm a much better person having had his guidance.

March 28 at 8:00 PM

TC

Tom Callahan posted:

Steve, Kirk and Melody, Your dad was a true gentleman. I often think back to my days at Windsor school and realize now that your dad took so much pride in being our principal at our school. I know he had a positive impact on so many students through out his time at Windsor school. I plan to walk over to see all of you on Saturday. Praying for all of you during this difficult time. Peace, Tom Callahan

March 27 at 8:00 PM

TS

Ted Siller posted:

Im sorry to hear of the passing of your father. I worked with your Mom, who I know also passed away recently, and Dad on the founding of the Lorain County Pioneer Theater. They were wonderful, dedicated people who wanted to bring childrens theater to Elyria. I had the honor of being the first director of the workshop, but it was the 2 of them who made the endeavor successful. My condolences to all of you.

March 27 at 8:00 PM

MM

Michelle Mullins posted:

Please accept my sincere condolences. Mr Sharrock remembered by all who were blessed to know him. My most fond memory is Sing, sing a song. Make it simple, to last your whole life long. Dont worry if its not good enough, for anyone else to hear. Just sing, sing a song $\delta\check{Y}\check{Z}\alpha$ Rest peacefully Sir. You will be missed.

March 27 at 8:00 PM



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Jerry Henson posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with all of you for the best of everything. God bless.

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Catherine Heitger posted:

So very sorry for your loss. God bless you and your family.

March 26 at 8:00 PM



Media

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