




Chase Harrison

February 11, 1928 - October 2, 2023

On October 2, 2023, Chase Edwin Harrison, age 95, passed our earthly bounds. Beloved husband of the late Evie Meloche, cherished father of Dr. Chase Henri Harrison and Marjorie Mignonette Harrison, and devoted grandfather of Graham Conrad, he is survived by Chase, Marjorie, and Graham, as well as his children's spouses, Dr. Laura Safar and Mr. Conrad, and several nieces and nephews. Chase was the son of Marjorie Chase and George Harrison, born in Rochester, New York, and reared in Batavia, New York. Chase attended SUNY at Brockport for undergraduate studies in education, earning his Masters degree from Teachers College at Columbia. After serving in the Army during the Korean War from 1950 - 1952, Chase resumed his teaching career, firstly in Long Island, then in Dearborn, Michigan in 1956, where he met and married his beloved wife, Evie. He taught all grade levels, beginning at Howe, MacDonald, and Snow Elementary Schools. After a two-year military leave, teaching in Mannheim, Germany in 1959-60, he taught 18 years at William B Stout Junior High School and 12 years at Edsel Ford High School. He thoroughly enjoyed all of his teaching and the students with whom he made contact. His retirement years were enriched by travel, with Budapest, Hungary becoming his favorite European destination, and San Francisco his favorite American city. Visitation will take place at Howe-Peterson Funeral Home in Dearborn, Michigan, on October [12], 2023, and a graveside service with military detail will follow at Memorial Park Cemetery in Flat Rock, Michigan.

Tribute Wall

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“ *The world lost a great man! Chase Harrison was one of my teachers in Jr High. To this day I remember his lessons on world history. His personality, demeanor, teaching style, delivery and passion for the subject matter made him stand high above other teachers. He had a booming voice and a great sense of humor as well. To be able to connect with adolescents in the way he did and make them interested in world history was truly a gift. Chase moonlighted as a men’s suit salesman for Sacks Fifth Avenue for a time. As dumb kids do, we’d walk up to him while at the mall to say hello and he’d always greet us with a smile and enthusiasm as if he was genuinely happy to see us. As Jr High kids do, we’d tease him and imitate his unique voice and pronunciation of words and he took it all in with stride. Decades later he and I reconnected on Facebook and he was as cool and kind as ever. I will miss this man. For me, he was a mentor and a legend that helped form me into the man I am today. The world is certainly a better place because Chase Harrison was in it. I’m just grateful I was able to call him teacher and friend. Rest in peace Mr. Harrison. Your lessons will be carried by thousands and a part of you will always be a part of me. ☐ * ”

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