

## Max J. Tarr

August 23, 1936 - March 16, 2017

Max J. Tarr, a long time educator and administrator for Northern Wells Community Schools passed away on Thursday morning, March 16, 2017, in Paoli, Indiana.

Max is survived by his wife of 55 years, Irene (Krummen) Tarr of Paoli; daughter, Lisa Tarr of Ossian, IN & son, Tim & wife, Roxanna Tarr of Frankfort, IN; grandchildren, Sophia Tarr of Frankfort, IN, Tina and husband Eli Unger, of Ooltewah, TN, Kylie Bauman of Ossian, IN; great grandchildren, Anna and Anthony Unger both of Ooltewah, TN.

He was preceded in death by his parents- Albert & LaLa (Wells) Tarr; sisters- Priscilla Brickley, Marilyn Irey & brother- Ralph Tarr.

Max J. Tarr was a retired history and science teacher, assistant principal, principal and Assistant Superintendent for Northern Wells Community Schools. He spent his years working with so many people that he thoroughly enjoyed who made him smile. He was a member of Paoli United Methodist Church. He loved God so much. He was a member of Gideon International, Masonic Lodge & Blue Lodge Scottish Rite. He was a Veteran of the US Marine Corps. Raising his Arabian horses and being outdoors was a huge joy in his life. He loved playing euchre and laughing with friends and family. He was a natural artist who could draw life-like horses that flowed out of his

pencil. He was thoughtful, knowledgeable, kind and helpful. He will be missed terribly by family and friends.

Visitation will be from 6-8pm, Saturday, March 18 at Paoli United Methodist Church & also from 3-8pm Monday, March 20 at the Thoma & Rich, Lemler Funeral Home, Bluffton, IN. Funeral will be 11am Tuesday, March 21 at Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home, Bluffton, IN. Officiating will be Rev. David Herr. Burial will be in Elm Grove Cemetery, Bluffton.

In lieu of flowers, family requests memorial contributions be made to Paoli United Methodist Church.

Funeral Arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Friends can send online condolences to the family at [www.thomarich.com](http://www.thomarich.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Elm Grove Cemetery

3500 East State Road 124  
Bluffton, IN

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 20. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home  
308 West Washington Street  
Bluffton, IN 46714  
<http://www.thomarich.com>

## Service

MAR 21. 11:00 AM (ET)

Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home  
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Bluffton, IN 46714  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Max J. Tarr*

September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *Was so sorry to hear about the loss of Max, worked with him for many years at Northern Wells, was a great man, my thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Many Blessings sent your way.*  
*Roy Billington*



**Roy Billington** - March 22, 2017 at 10:22 AM



“ *My deepest condolences. My father, John Dyson, was a friend of Max's for many years. I have great fond memories from my childhood visiting Max and Irene's house and seeing the horses. My horse as a teenager was El Fin Daan, son of La Fin Da, which I believe my father and Max co-owned for a while. My deepest sympathies to the family of Max Tarr. Linda (Dyson) Smith*



**Linda Smith** - March 21, 2017 at 04:33 PM



“ *European Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Max J. Tarr.*



March 19, 2017 at 07:52 PM

SS

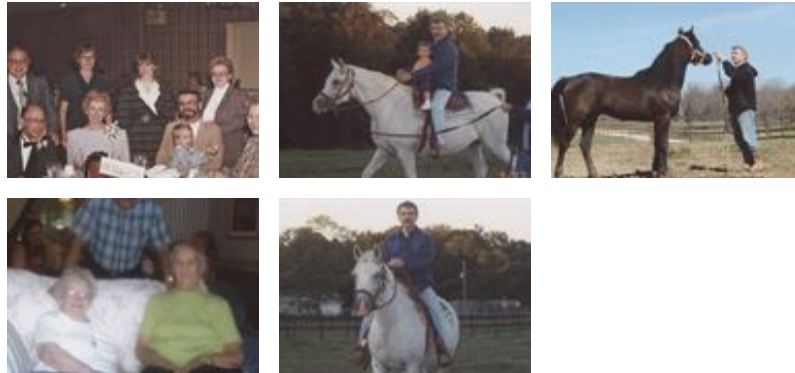
“ I remember Max from when I was in school as being fair with everyone, and a good man.  
I went to school with Lisa and will be keeping you and your family in my thoughts.  
Stacy W. Schoeff

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**Stacy W. Schoeff** - March 19, 2017 at 04:56 PM



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**Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home** - March 19, 2017 at 04:01 PM

JT

“ Special memories remain for me. As a city kid, I loved to visit my Cousins at their farm. We would shoot BB guns, huddle together under a quilt at night and go to the Bluffton Fair. The Tarr Cousins were quite a gang!

*Jim Tarr*

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**James Tarr** - March 18, 2017 at 05:21 PM

WK

“ With Love Roger and Kris Krummen purchased the Sympathy Arrangement In Basket (Large) - Multicolor Pastel Mixed Flowers for the family of Max J. Tarr.



With Love Roger and Kris Krummen - March 17, 2017 at 05:07 PM

TB

“ My deepest condolences to the family. God Bless you all. Tammy (Tarr) Byrne & Family

Tammy Byrne - March 17, 2017 at 04:32 PM

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“ Tammy Byrne lit a candle in memory of Max J. Tarr



Tammy Byrne - March 17, 2017 at 04:27 PM

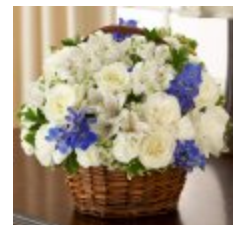
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With loving thoughts and prayers. Tammy (Tarr) Byrne & Family

Tammy Byrne - March 17, 2017 at 04:28 PM



“ Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Max J. Tarr.



March 17, 2017 at 03:29 PM

BR

“ I worked for Mr. Max Tarr at the Norwell Middle School (Spring, 1980). He was a wonderful principal and educator. I hope and pray the family remembers the wonderful memories that had with him throughout his life. I really appreciated him as being one of my first administrators as I started my education career.

*Barbara Renner  
Family & Consumer Sciences Teacher*

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**Barbara Renner** - March 17, 2017 at 01:52 PM

LC

“ Always such a kind man. I remember one evening he was leaving the school and saw me out walking after the street lights were on. He came over and walked me home to be sure I got there safely. His kindness made a lasting impression in my mind. God bless your family.



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**lori coker** - March 17, 2017 at 01:51 PM

JA

“ My thoughts and prayers are with your family, I remember when he started his student teaching at Lancaster and we thought we could get away with stuff because he was one of us. Wrong he let us know how it was going to be and got our respect. He was a great guy.

*Joe Ayers*

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**Joe Ayers** - March 17, 2017 at 11:23 AM



“ *Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Max J. Tarr.* ”



March 17, 2017 at 08:35 AM



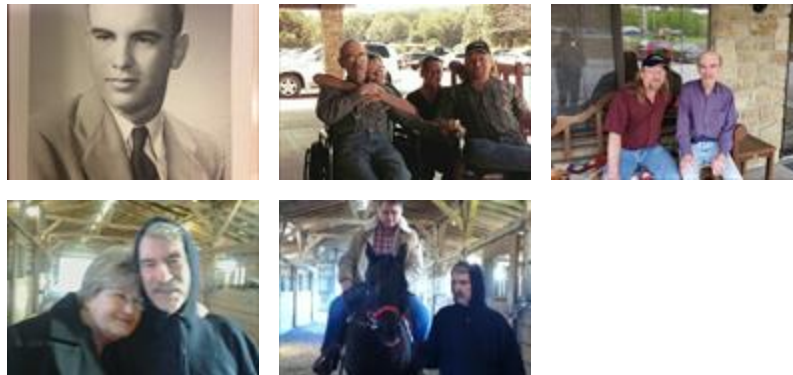
“ *Healing Tears - All White was purchased for the family of Max J. Tarr.* ”



March 17, 2017 at 08:21 AM



“ *25 files added to the tribute wall* ”



**Lisa Tarr** - March 16, 2017 at 05:43 PM