



## David Brian Holden

July 11, 1957 - June 8, 2015

Age 57, passed away at his home on Monday, June 8, 2015. He was born July 11, 1957 in Dearborn, MI, the son of Alfred and Veronica (Szymanski) Holden. On June 19, 1982 in Dearborn, MI he married Raye M. Lombardi and she survives. David graduated from Edsel Ford High School (Dearborn) in 1975, received his Bachelor's Degree in Political Science in 1979 from the University of Michigan and his M.B.A. from Robert Morris University in Pittsburgh, PA in 1992. He had a lifelong career devoted to the industrial gas business beginning in 1979 and had been employed most recently with Air Liquide-Americas as a strategic accounts manager in the automotive sector. David served on the Saline Area School's Board of Education, was on the Zoning Board of Appeals in Pittsfield Twp., was a M.H.S.A.A. Registered official for basketball and was a member of St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church in Saline. Aside from David's pride in his family and community, he was an avid University of Michigan football and basketball season ticket holder since the early 1980's. He witnessed both the 1989 "Battle in Seattle" when the Wolverines beat Seton Hall for the National Championship in basketball and he was also present for the 1998 Rose Bowl in Pasadena when Michigan beat Washington State for the 1997 National Championship in football. His other passion was golf, in which he secured not one, but two hole-in-ones at Pittsburgh North and Michaywe Pines. In addition to his wife, other survivors include his children, Dylan, Derek and Reed Holden, his mother, Veronica Holden, his siblings, Kathy (Jack) Harrison, Kevin (Lorie) Holden and Cheryl Holden. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews and cousins. David was preceded in death by his father, Alfred. Visitation will be on Thursday, June 11, 2015 from 2:00-8:00 P.M. and on Friday, June 12, 2015 from 10:00 A.M. until the time of the Mass of Christian Burial at 11:00 A.M. at St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church, 910 Austin Drive, Saline with the Rev. Fr. Francis Mossholder, celebrant. Burial will take place privately. Memorial contributions may be made to the University of Michigan Cancer Center in his name for patients financially unable to meet the costs of medications and other expenses. Envelopes will be made available at the church or donations can be made online at <http://victors.us/davidholden>. To sign David's guestbook, to leave a memory, or for more information or directions please visit <http://www.rbfhsaline.com>.

# Events

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**JUN** **Visitation** 02:00PM - 08:00PM

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St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church  
910 Austin Drive, Saline, MI, US, 48176

**JUN** **Visitation** 10:00AM - 11:00AM

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**JUN** **Mass of the Christian Burial** 11:00AM - 12:00PM

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# Comments

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“ Just was thinking about you today Dave, cannot believe you have been gone for more than two years. Say hello to the boss upstairs for us.

**carter bishop** - September 22, 2017 at 11:15 AM

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“ Met Dave when he first ran for the school board, instantly knew he was someone special. A man of good character, generous with his time and talents and kind as anyone could be. Taken way before he should have been, we've lost one of the good guys. Prayers and kind thoughts to his wonderful family.

**Carter Bishop** - June 17, 2015 at 08:34 PM

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“ Dave, you left us far too soon. We will miss you, and we know that we are better for having known you. May your passion and commitment live on through your memory. My thoughts and prayers are with Raye and your family in this difficult time.

Mark Boonstra

**Mark Boonstra** - June 12, 2015 at 07:28 AM

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“ Quiet Expressions was purchased for the family of David Brian Holden.



June 11, 2015 at 12:07 PM

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“ I worked with Dave for 10 years at Air Liquide. His life was driven by passion, family, and helping people. As Brownlow said : "It's true that we only live here once, but if we do it right, once is enough."  
Dave did it right!

Dave Esposito

Dave Esposito - June 11, 2015 at 11:17 AM

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“ I will miss Dave. I remember his reports to the Executive Committee. He always delivered them with a smile and a strong voice, with thought and articulation, and with good will towards all and malice towards none. I'm sure that he was well aware that he sometimes would be expressing the minority opinion, but he did not waver as he spoke his truth to our power.

I will remember his activism, leadership, and service to his community. Saline is a better place for having had Dave in it. We are better for having had him in our lives. He will be remembered and he will be missed.

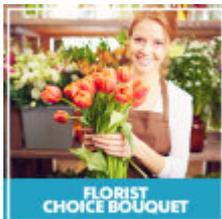
Bill Bigler

John Taylor - June 10, 2015 at 10:22 PM

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“ Jeff Litchard purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of David Brian Holden.



Jeff Litchard - June 10, 2015 at 05:17 PM

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“ Basket of Joy was purchased for the family of David Brian Holden.



June 10, 2015 at 04:26 PM

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“ Back in the 80's we played a great deal of winning softball together followed by pitchers of beer. We debated public policy over beers. We cheered for U of M - with beers in hand. It was a long time ago, and those good times have slowly faded, but Dave's enthusiasm stands strong in my memory. Web

**Web** - June 10, 2015 at 04:17 PM

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“ Dear Kathy & Family,  
Please accept my deepest sympathy on the death of your beloved brother. My prayers are with you and all of your family.  
Mary Ann Bremer Wilson  
EFHS Class of 1973

**Mary Ann Bremer Wilson** - June 10, 2015 at 01:48 PM

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“ Dave became my friend through association with mutual friends. Although I only saw him once or twice a year, he was always genuinely glad to see me, and I him. I enjoyed his outgoing, open manner. He always made me feel welcome and I will miss that. Dave was one of the good ones.

**Bruce Sexton** - June 10, 2015 at 06:33 AM

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“ David Z. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of David Brian Holden.



David Z. - June 10, 2015 at 03:01 AM

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“ Dave was a respected and valuable member of the Washtenaw County Republican Committee as well as a wonderful asset to his own community of Saline. His kind and jovial nature made him always a pleasure to interact with. His passing is a loss to us all and he will be sorely missed. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his family and friends during this most difficult time.

John K. Taylor

Chairman, Washtenaw County Republican Committee

John Taylor - June 10, 2015 at 02:49 AM

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“ Washtenaw County Republican Committee purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of David Brian Holden.



Washtenaw County Republican Committee - June 09, 2015 at 10:07 PM

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“ My heartfelt condolences to Davids' family. I had not seen Dave in years, despite my living in the Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti area for decades. About five and a half years ago I did speak with Davids dad Al, who was at my dad's funeral after his sudden and unexpected death. Our fathers went back to the early days of the Saint Martha Church and served as ushers among other activities. Upon reading the obituary, David clearly followed in his dad's footsteps of service outside of his job. I have notified many of his classmates from the Edsel Ford High School Class of 1975, through our upcoming 40 year reunion this August, on it's face book page.

Again my sincere condolences, to his family and close friends.

Theodore (Ted) Lucas  
EFHS Class of 1975

Ted Lucas - June 09, 2015 at 09:56 PM

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“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of David Brian Holden.



June 09, 2015 at 07:06 PM

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“ Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of David Brian Holden.



June 09, 2015 at 03:57 PM

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“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of David Brian Holden.



June 09, 2015 at 02:12 PM

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“ Rainbow Reflections Basket was purchased for the family of David Brian Holden.



June 09, 2015 at 01:18 PM