

Obituary - Morris "Morrie" Galitzer



Morris Galitzer of Mequon and Milwaukee passed away peacefully on September 6, 2023, age 92 years. Beloved brother of Harold Galitzer (Lisa - deceased). Dear uncle of Shari Galitzer (Dirk), Sandy Easley (Greg), and Michelle Zierten, and cherished great-uncle to many loving nieces and nephews.

Born and raised in Milwaukee, he was an Eagle Scout, graduated from North Division High School, and received his B.S. and M.S. degrees in Education from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. He committed his life to education, both as a lifelong learner and a dedicated teacher for 37 years, serving generations of students in the Milwaukee Public School system at 65th Street and Samuel Morris Middle schools.

As a lifelong learner, Morris took a keen interest in knowing how things worked and knowing how to fix things that were not working, including electronics, motors, computers, bicycles, snowblowers, chain saws, boats, lawn mowers, and virtually every kind of tool. After retiring from MPS, Morris combined his interest in learning and repairing things by taking classes in small-engine repair and working at National ACE Hardware, at the age of 82. Morris unselfishly shared his knowledge, skills, and diligence to benefit his neighbors, friends, and colleagues.

He was a member of several computer clubs and bicycling clubs. He loved seeing Milwaukee and Wisconsin on bicycle, leading family, friends, and students on rides.

Many students remained in touch or reached out to express appreciation over the years, demonstrating the positive impact Morris had on their lives. Morris knew that real education was more than "book-learning" in the classroom. He encouraged his students to excel academically and also to have the freedom and confidence to develop and pursue their hopes and dreams as unique individuals. His skills, thorough and caring approach to holistic learning, and awareness of the importance of continuing to learn are Morrie's legacy to future generations.

Morris's family gives a special thank you to the care givers at Teal Shores and Aurora Medical Center Grafton who shared with him a kind, gracious, and often humorous approach to life and caring for one another.

Graveside private family services will be held at Greenwood Cemetery.