



## Rudy Adams

March 5, 1941 - March 6, 2022

WALKERTON – Rudy Adams of Walkerton passed away on Sunday, March 6, 2022, while surrounded by his loving family in his home following an illness. He was born on March 5, 1941, in LaPorte to the late Leo and Sylvia (Lowery) Adams and was 81 years-old at the time of his death.

Rudy lived in the area his entire life. He was a retired Private Investigator who ran his own firm, Research Associates. On March 6, 1959, in New Carlisle he married the love of his life Gloria (Roloff) and they spent 63 years of marriage together. Rudy was a member of the National Rifle Association, Alcoholics Anonymous since the 1970's helping countless people, and the Scholastic Clay and Target Program where he coached where he was an Olympic shooting coach and won three National Championships.

Rudy is survived by his loving wife Gloria of Walkerton; two sons Dirk Adams of Walkerton, and Drew (Maureen) Adams of New Carlisle; one daughter Darla (William) Mann of Walkerton; five grandchildren Derek Adams, Dustin Adams, Emily Lehman, Rachel Ragauskis, and Adam Mann. He is preceded in death by his parents; two sisters Margie and Leora; and three brothers Albert, Gene, and Gary.

It was Rudy's wishes to be cremated which will occur. There are no services planned at this time.

# Tribute Wall

BA

“ I have very few real life hero's, but my uncle Rudy is one of them. A generous man, willing to help at any time. A wise man, eager to share his knowledge. A great storyteller, ready to regale you with tales of his life experiences ( if embellishments were necessary for dramatic effect, there was no charge.) I have a lot more memories in the rear view mirror than I do in the windshield, but those that involve uncle Rudy will always be cherished. He was the last Adams of his generation so I guess it's up to those of us who are left to carry on the family name the best we can. When it is time to face the "great unknown", I am sure they will all be waiting with open arms ready to take us on the next fishing trip or hunting expedition. That comforts me.

*Bill Adams*

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**Bill Adams** - March 12 at 03:45 PM



*Well said my Brother!*

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**Dirk Adams** - March 13 at 02:08 PM

LL

*My memories of Rudy & Gloria is every march they my son in law my daughter & i would get together at my house for our birthday celebration  
We all was in March plus Rudy & Gloria anniversary  
Plus we share time in Florida fond memories  
Him & my husband is having ,AA meeting. Plus all there other friends*

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**Louise lesch** - March 13 at 07:53 PM

TG

“ The BMW group purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Rudy Adams.



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**The BMW group** - March 11 at 11:26 AM

DE

“ Even though Rudy was an ex-father-in-law, he always let me know he was there for me if I needed him. And how can anyone forget Rudy's sense of humor, always putting a smile on someone's face. Glad to have known this man. RIP Rudy.

*Debi Powell*

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**Debi** - March 10 at 12:18 PM

WJ

“ Early in my illustrious New Carlisle High School educational career, I had a couple of sports heroes. Being a self-appointed band geek, I didn't take sports seriously – winning or losing games was all the same to me as a sophomore – but certain players, heroes to other students, stood for something special, don't ask me why.

One athlete who seemed to stand above the rest was senior Rudy Adams, center on the Varsity Tiger Football Team. Those boys had done well that season and we were looking forward to the last game: the titanic clash with arch-rival Washington-Clay High School. We'd never beaten this powerhouse South Bend school... and didn't win this time.

As the team (and I) walked back to the locker room, I found myself next to Rudy Adams and noted tears rolling down his cheeks, which actually shocked this nothing's-worth-crying -for band geek. Rudy didn't know me at the time – happily, we later became pretty good friends – so I remained quiet but with the new knowledge that men are allowed to show emotion when the situation calls for it. Now, with Rudy's passing, I feel my cheeks a bit moist.

Hugs to Gloria and their family which I somehow, later, felt part of – Bill Johanson

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**William Bruce Johanson** - March 09 at 02:07 PM

SA

“ I am very sorry, and with great sadness, to hear of Uncle Rudy's passing. I will tell you that if I ever learned anything good as a young teenager, it was due to my uncle Rudy. His guidance kept me from making a serious mistake more than once. He will always be in my thoughts and forever in my heart.

*Steve Adams  
(Nephew)*

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**Steve Adams** - March 09 at 11:37 AM

BT

“ I am sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with the family. Really enjoyed my time with Rudy, especially working with his sons at Research Associates, and his influence. Rest In Peace, Rudy.

Bruce Tinkey - March 09 at 10:01 AM

DD

“ I am sorry for your loss. He was such a good man and helped so many people, including myself. You'll be missed..

Denise Drake-Nichols - March 09 at 09:36 AM

VP

“ We have always loved Rudy and Gloria he was a great guy

Velma Phenis - March 09 at 06:46 AM

LL

Sorry for loss of Rudy ,he was Jack of all trades ,he fix my car years ago after a wreck , we use to celebrate our birthday together 4 of us in March plus there anniversary Always Chinese dinner wonderful friend

Louise Iesch - March 09 at 11:13 AM

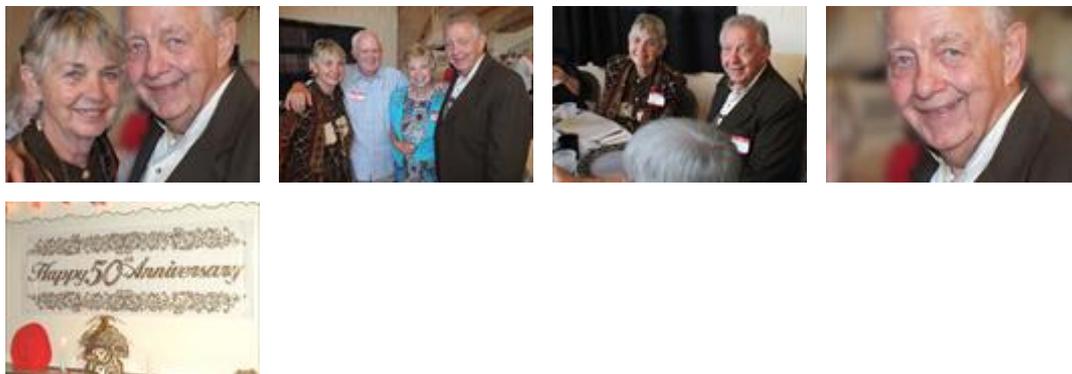
DA

“ God Speed Dad.

Drew Adams - March 09 at 06:34 AM

WJ

“ 12 files added to the album Rudy and Gloria Adams



William Bruce Johanson - March 08 at 06:43 PM

SU

“ *Dirk and entire Adams family, I'm so sorry to hear of your fathers passing. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him. God's speed Rudy.*  
*Sonny*

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**Sonny Uhlig** - March 08 at 05:36 PM