

# Teacher served as art docent after he retired

Richard B. Sandys, a longtime Toledo Public Schools teacher who became a museum volunteer in his retirement, died of cancer Saturday in St. Luke's Hospital, Maumee. He was 67.

Mr. Sandys retired in 1993 after a 33-year teaching career, and joined the Toledo Art Museum as a docent. He was an art lover and an expert teacher, his wife, Zana, explained, so the move was a good fit.

"This was something he wanted to do. He loved art of all kinds, and with his teaching skills and working with children for so many years, it all tied together," Mrs. Sandys said.

Most of Mr. Sandys' teaching career was spent at Byrnedale Junior High, which he joined in 1976, the year it opened. Earlier he taught at Point Place and Sherman elementary schools and at Bowsher High School.

At Byrnedale he taught American history, but over the years he also gave instruction in world history and art, Mrs. Sandys said.

During the 1963-64 school year, he taught at a U.S. Air Force base in Weathersfield, England, where he and his future wife met. They married in 1965.

He and Mrs. Sandys were world travelers, visiting most countries in Europe as well as China, Kenya, and Egypt.

"He loved architecture, and when we traveled, it was for architecture and art," Mrs. Sandys said.

Mr. Sandys grew up in South Toledo and graduated from Libbey High School. He received a bachelor's degree in education from the University of Toledo.

His memberships included St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Maumee, the Torch Club of Toledo, and the museum's art-travel and library committees.

"He was a lover of teaching, history, and life. He was a wonderful friend," said Joan Haines, a friend of Mr. and Mrs. Sandys.

Surviving are his wife, Zana; mother, Edna Sandys; son, Erik; sister, Delores Davey; brothers, Thomas and David, and two step-grandchildren.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday in St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Maumee. The body will be in the Maison-Dardenne-Walker Funeral Home, Maumee, after 2 p.m. tomorrow.

The family requests tributes to the church or to the museum.

# **SANDYS**

## **RICHARD B.**

Richard B. Sandys, age 67, of Maumee, died Saturday, July 6, 2002. Mr. Sandys taught art, American and world history for the Toledo Public Schools, which included Sherman School, Cherry St., Point Place, Bowsher and Byrnedale. He also taught for the Dependent School system in England where he met his wife of 37 years. He was a graduate of Libbey High School and The University of Toledo. Richard traveled extensively throughout the world. After teaching for 33 years, he became a docent for the Toledo Museum of Art. His memberships also included the Torch Club of Toledo and St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Maumee. Richard loved life, his family, fine arts, music, theater and gardening.

He is survived by his loving wife, Zana; son, Erik (Jamey) Sandys; step granddaughters, Paige and Allison; mother, Edna Sandys; sister, Delores Davey, and brothers, Thomas (Kathleen) and David (Janice) Sandys. Also surviving are many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, Richard.

Friends may call at the **Maison-Dardenne-Walker Funeral Home**, Monday from 2-9 p.m. Funeral services will be held Tuesday at 11 a.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 310 Elizabeth St., Maumee. Interment, Riverside Cemetery, Maumee. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Paul's Episcopal Church or the Toledo Museum of Art.