

**Standing, William H.**

William Harold Standing of Port Austin passed away Sunday, Sept. 20, 2009 at the Huron Medical Center in Bad Axe.

William was born Oct. 9, 1933 in Lawrence, Kan. to Ralph Harold Standing and Thelma Lavon Standing.

William graduated from Westport High School, Kansas City, Mo. in 1951, continued his education at The University Missouri, Columbia, Mo. and received a bachelor of science degree in public administration in 1955. At Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill., he received an arts master degree in 1956.

On Sept. 11, 1954 he was married to Mary Ann Daniels in Nashua, Iowa. Bill taught for 29 years at Marygrove College in Detroit.

He enjoyed reading, opera, movies, and sharing his knowledge with others. As a lifelong Christian, he served on many committees and was an Elder in the Presbyterian Church.

William is survived by his wife, Mary Ann Standing of Port Austin; three sons, Ronald D. Standing and wife, Ingrid, of Tega Cay, S.C., James G. Standing and wife, Janet, of Berkley, Michael H. Standing and wife, Wendy, of Canton; brother, Richard Barrett Standing of Raytown, Mo.; and six grandchildren, Brandon M. Standing of Kennesaw, Ga., Kairsten A. Shropshire of Charlotte, N.C., Joy A. Standing of Tega Cay, S.C., Benjamin J. Standing of Berkley, Melissa K. Standing of Canton, and Eric M. Standing of Canton.

Graveside services for William will be conducted at the Virginia Mo. Cemetery at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Oct. 12, 2009. In lieu of flowers, please send contributions to Port Austin Township Library, P.O. Box 34, Port Austin, MI 48467 or Top of the Thumb Leisure Ministry, P.O. Box 546, Pigeon, MI 48755.

Services under the direction of the Schowengerdt Funeral Chapel (660) 679-6555, Butler, MO 64730. Online condolences may be sent to [www.schowengerdtchapel.com](http://www.schowengerdtchapel.com).