

Teacher Obituary -Edward Belan (23 June 2008)



Funeral services for Edward P. Belan, 76, East Moline, are 10 a.m. Thursday at St. John's Lutheran Church, East Moline.

Burial is at Riverside Cemetery, Moline. Visitation is 4-7 p.m. today at Van Hoe Funeral Home, East Moline. Memorials may be made to St. John's Lutheran Church.

Ed died Monday, June 23, 2008, at Genesis Medical Center, Illini Campus, Silvis.

Edward was born Sept. 12, 1931, in Chicago, the son of Adam and Eva Ftak Belan. He was a U.S. Army veteran. He received his bachelor's degree from Elmhurst College and his master's from Northern Illinois University. Ed married Judith Schadt on June 7, 1969, at St. John's Lutheran Church, where he and his wife have been very devoted members.

He taught English at United Township High School from 1963 until 1991. He served as department chair for many years at the school. Ed was a member of the Illinois Education Association, National Education Association, Illinois Retired Teachers and had held various offices at the local Black Hawk Unit. He enjoyed reading, traveling and was a member of the Black Hawk Postcard Club. Spending time with his grandson, Tyler, was his current favorite hobby.

Survivors include his wife, Judy; son and daughter-in-law, Jeffrey and Holly Belan, Moline; grandson, Tyler; step-granddaughter, Kaley; and sisters and brother-in-law, Evelyn Ortman, Barrington, Ill., and Pauline and Leonard Neumann, Lawrenceville, Pa.

Online condolences may be left for the family at www.vanhoe.com.