



## Dwayne E. Foote

May 11, 1940 - June 13, 2020

Click link below to view live funeral footage at 10:30am Saturday:

<https://client.tribucast.com/tcid/67110765>

Dwayne Edward Foote, 80, passed away on June 13, 2020 in Libertyville. He was born May 11, 1940 in Libertyville to Robert and Gladys (Giss) Foote and lived in Libertyville for most of his life. He was a 1958 graduate of Libertyville High School and a 1962 graduate of Illinois Wesleyan University. He received the Mellon Fellowship for Advanced Study and his Master's degree from the University of Iowa. He loved teaching history, was loved by his students and touched and influenced many of their lives. He retired after teaching 30 years at North Chicago High School, where he also coached football and track and field, winning many conference and state championships. He retired from coaching in 1983 and became a highly respected sports official for the IHSA and also an NCAA sports official for Track & Field, officiating the IHSA Boys State Track Meet for 32 years. He was also an active lifetime member of the First Presbyterian Church in Libertyville and was involved in local scouting leadership roles with Boy Scouts of America for 25 years.

He was the loving father and grandpa who loved spoiling his grandchildren and being with his family. Surviving are his son Robert (Jennifer) Foote of Grand Blanc, MI and his daughter Debra (Erik) Prinzing of Mundelein. His grandchildren, Jason and Erin Prinzing, Allison and Brayden Foote. He was preceded in death by his parents and his sister Sharron R. Foote.

Visitation will be from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm Friday, June 19, 2020 at the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home, 120 W. Park Ave. (Rt. 176, one block west of Milwaukee Ave) Libertyville. Funeral services will begin at 11:00 a.m. Saturday at the funeral home, followed by interment at Lakeside Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations are appreciated to either the Lake County Covid Relief Fund at United Way of Lake County, [www.uwlc.org](http://www.uwlc.org), the American Heart Association, [www.heart.org](http://www.heart.org), or the First Presbyterian Church of Libertyville, [firstpreslibertyville.org](http://firstpreslibertyville.org). For information, call 847-362-3009 or please share a

memory at [www.burnettdane.com](http://www.burnettdane.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **19**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Burnett-Dane Funeral Home  
120 West Park Avenue  
Libertyville, IL 60048

## Funeral Service

JUN **20**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Burnett-Dane Funeral Home  
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Libertyville, IL 60048

# Tribute Wall



“ Burnett-Dane Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Dwayne E. Foote



Burnett-Dane Funeral Home - June 19, 2020 at 03:17 PM

CB

Forever remembered as a wonderful teacher and dedicated track & field coach. He poured himself into his students and athletes. We are all the better for his sacrifice as a teacher and coach. His memories warm my heart. Heaven has another angel ❤️🙏  
😊. NCCHS '75

Chris Brown - September 09, 2020 at 03:58 PM

TD

“ Theo Grant Davis lit a candle in memory of Dwayne E. Foote



Theo Grant Davis - September 09, 2020 at 01:43 PM

RJ

“ Ray Jones lit a candle in memory of Dwayne E. Foote



Ray Jones - September 09, 2020 at 01:49 AM

JS

“ Love and God's blessings to Mr. Foote, his Family, and all of his friends and acquaintances.

*John Stewart*

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**JOHN STEWART** - June 24, 2020 at 03:30 AM

JH

“ Dwayne we will always remember your smile and the fun we had when we got together with you and Sharon. We were all happy that you and your family were part of our lives.

*Joe and Joanne and family*

*Uncle Joe*

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**Joe and joanne hojsak** - June 20, 2020 at 03:19 PM

BR

“ Through his daughter's first grade class, Dwayne helped my great nephew through difficult times. I will be forever grateful. When church finally resumes, I'll miss seeing him in the back row. Rest In Peace.

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**Betsy Rehm** - June 20, 2020 at 02:04 PM

VS

“ We are so sorry for your loss, condolences. He will be missed but, is at peace now.

*Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family in your time of grief.*

*Ed, Valerie, Clayton and Alex Slack*

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**Valerie Slack** - June 19, 2020 at 07:11 PM



“ Dwayne, We have fond memories of him in the back row at Church and in Spring Meadows. Then Ruth and I went to see him at Manor care during the first week of March. He was delighted to visit with us and talked about many experiences he had during his life. We have known him for over 50 years. David & Ruth Arendsen

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**David Arendsen** - June 19, 2020 at 05:24 PM

JB

“ Dwayne - The Blair family sends you off with heavy hearts, yes, but also with joy that you are now in your heavenly and eternal home. We will always cherish good and wonderful memories of you through our experiences we had in Boy Scouts when all three of our sons shared those moments with you as our church liaison, and also of the many, many track meets that you officiated in while our boys were running in Libertyville High School. Of course, we will always remember the good and sweet times knowing you and enjoying all those conversations about history, language, culture, sports and church activities. What a great man you were! We are grateful for having known you! Peace!  
- John and Lennie Blair

John and Lennie Blair - June 19, 2020 at 04:29 PM

CM

Condolences to the family From Candy (Jackson) Moses c/o 1978

candy (jackson) moses - September 08, 2020 at 05:52 PM



“ Our prayers of peace and comfort go out to the families of Robert and Debbie on the passing of a kind and loving man that was a mentor to everyone he met. We've known the Foote family over 30 years (Debbie was one of our first baby-sitters) through the First Presbyterian Church of Libertyville. Dwayne was always willing to learn and apply new skills. He enthusiastically volunteered to help run the sound board for Sunday services and special events. He was a quick study and was always willing to serve when needed. He shared his gift of hospitality with everyone he met. God's Blessings to the Foote family as they carry-on the beautiful legacy that Dwayne has created.  
Jerry & Deb Phillips

Jerry Phillips - June 18, 2020 at 06:15 PM

YB

“ Mr. Foote was an awesome teacher He was funny made his class interesting. ... Oh Boy I'm from the Class of 81 we were a handful and half more always caring. I also had Ms. Foote for Spanish class very Bless ti have both in my life.  
Amen

Yvette Bryant - June 18, 2020 at 12:00 AM

M(

“ RIP Mr. Foote. May your legacies continue through not only your family but also through those of us you touched through your mentorship at NCCHS. He was a kind man, teacher and coach as well as a co-worker. It was always a pleasure to see him at the reunions.

Mrs. Pitts (NCCHS) - June 17, 2020 at 09:15 PM

BE

“ A Mark of a great teacher is one who makes a difference in others. To have thousands of students , friends, and co-workers to remember his kind ways, is a true testament to his character. To his family , thank you for sharing him with us , may your memories bring you comfort. Beverlee Brooks-Celestin class of 81.



Beverlee - June 17, 2020 at 07:13 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dwayne E. Foote.



June 17, 2020 at 07:00 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dwayne E. Foote.



June 17, 2020 at 06:55 PM

WD

“ Mr. Dwayne Foote was my favorite teacher at North Chicago Community High School. I had him for World Civilization (freshman year) and U.S. History. As a teacher, he was funny, engaging, never boring, and very enthusiastic about his subject matter. He also had a unique ability to maintain class order without yelling or losing his temper; he simply treated all of us with respect, and we respected him in return. We looked forward to the end of the semester when he would reward the class with one of his hilarious, epic stories (usually from his college days) which would take up the entire period. I'm glad that in 2013, at the visitation for his late sister (Miss Foote was also my teacher, for Spanish 1), I finally had the opportunity to tell Mr. Foote he was my favorite teacher in high school.

*I offer my sincere condolences to the family. May God ever be with you. Thank you for sharing your dad with us.*

*Wyeth Duncan, NCCHS Class of '81*

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Wyeth Duncan - June 17, 2020 at 12:49 PM

PP

“ Mr. Foote, was my Russian history teacher and my track coach my Sophomore year at NCCHS. He would make class so interesting and so much fun. I never knew learning believe it or not Russian History could be so exciting. He always had a costume on and brought his story's to life. Thank you Mr. Foote for giving me the love of history. You will always be in my heart.

*Portia Olivia Payne C/O 82*

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Portia O. Payne - June 16, 2020 at 11:43 PM



“ Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dwayne E. Foote.



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June 16, 2020 at 11:22 PM

RB

“ I am a long time high school track coach. I will remember Dwayne as a kind, enthusiastic official who exemplified good sportsmanship. To his loved ones, I am very sorry for your loss. He helped me to be a better coach but I'm sure he didn't know me personally. Imagine the impact of his life given the number of coaches and athletes that he worked with. What a wonderful soul. You are in my prayers.

Rob Berg

Robert Berg - June 16, 2020 at 10:51 PM

VM

“ I absolutely loved my History class with Mr. Foote my Sophomore year at NCCHS. He always told us history had to be taught and learned with excitement - so he always gave us very interesting sessions, which led me to taking so many history courses over my college years. Brilliant man with such a fun-loving personality. I've wondered about him all these years after graduating in '92. He was one of my favorite teachers. RIP Mr. Foote.



Veronica Medina-Renteria - June 16, 2020 at 10:35 PM

JL

“ Mr Foote had a contagious smile and a wonderful teacher. My condolences to his family



Joyce (Semasko) Leginski - June 16, 2020 at 08:20 PM

MK

“ Rest in peace Mr. Foote what a legacy he leaves for all of you to draw pain when your hearts are heavy may God bless you and may God keep you close during this time of great loss in your family..

Mark Kennedy  
Class of 78 🙏

Mark Kennedy - June 16, 2020 at 07:05 PM

KA

*I had Mr. Foote as well as his sister Sharon Foote for classes during my years at NCCHS. Especially Loved his Russian History class. I became a history major in college probably because of his teaching.  
Sympathy to his family.  
Kitty Pucin Andreassen '71*

Kitty Andreassen - June 16, 2020 at 08:25 PM

PN

*I first met Dwayne when he was one of my timers at the State Track finals. I introduced him to my son and they conversed in Russian. Dwayne was always looking forward to the next edition of the IHSA track hats. He always had a smile on his face which went well with his confident, professional approach to track officiating. My biggest honor was not being an Honorary Meet Referee but gaining that distinction along side of Dwayne. May God rest his soul. Prayers to his family and friends.*

Paul Neakrase - June 17, 2020 at 07:40 AM

CM

“ Coach Foote was a great teacher and coach at NCCHS for many years. I remember being on the track team while in high school during his coaching career. He was never short on praise and motivation for all members of the track team regardless of ability. Whenever I go running, I can still hear his voice with passion saying "pull with the arms".  
Rest in peace, you made a difference in my life and many others. Chris Moses-  
c/o '84

Chris Moses - June 16, 2020 at 05:15 PM

L(

“ I had Mr. Foote for several history classes been 1971-1985. He was an amazing individual. Always had a smile and always willing to help. Was so happy to see him at our class reunion gathering. Rest in piece Mr. Foote. Continue planting seeds in everyone up there. 😊. Linda Hoover (Krause)

Linda Hoover (Krause) - June 16, 2020 at 03:48 PM

DP

*Bob and I are thankful for your sharing of memories and kind and thoughtful words of our dad.*

Debra Prinzing - June 21, 2020 at 09:52 PM

RH

“ Fond memories of Dwayne from Rockland School through playing football together at LFHS. Dwayne was a good steady cheerful positive man. My condolences to his family.  
Richard Hill

Richard Hill - June 16, 2020 at 02:54 PM

GB

“ Dajuvu, I was just speaking highly about Mr. Foote to a fellow Alumni of NCCHS. In 1971, I had Mr. Foote for my History Teacher as a Freshman, his class room was in the History wing next to the Guidance office, Mr Celba was up the hall and Ms. Foote, his Sister was across the hall as our Spanish Teacher. Mr. Foote, was a very kind, passionate. Tolerable, Soft spoken, understanding human being. I remember he had our class to write an essay and he flourished me with compliments on my " LIFE IS A BOWL OF CHERRIES ". He was so proud of my writing that I never forgot how excited he was, that he made me !! He was a GREAT MAN AND TEACHER THAT HAS ALWAYS REMINDED ME OF MY OWN FATHER. MR. FOOTE WILL BE GREATLY MISSED. RIP MR. FOOTE.

Glory Barnes - June 16, 2020 at 02:11 PM

DB

“ May God Bless the Foote Family and may God keep you in his presence. Dwayne was a good friend of our family, we shared a special bond together. Met him and his son Bob years ago in Reno during Hot August Nites .Every year Dwayne would come out for HAN ,we were both car enthusiast enjoyed talking about cars and hot rods .The times we shared together will never forget.See you one day Dwayne...Dennis and Maxine Brown Sparks Nevada

Dennis Brown - June 16, 2020 at 01:29 PM

GJ

“ Gre Johnson sent a virtual gift in memory of Dwayne E. Foote



Gre Johnson - June 16, 2020 at 01:04 PM

RP

“ My name is Robert Presley. I was a Freshmen when I join Track and Field. Mr. Foote was my coach all 4 years. He expose me to the levels of Track and finally running 100 yds, 200 yds, 800 relay, and 400 relay. He introduce me to Kansas University even through he did not attend. Graduating from KU as a music teacher, I came back home and I was honored to work side by side with Mr. Foote. Always a smile and a good word about everything. Rest well my coach, my colleague, my friend.

Robert Presley - June 16, 2020 at 12:33 PM

JO

“ Dear Coach,  
Thanks so much in starting my journey in running. I started coaching 10 years ago and you showed me a simple blue print to treat each student-athlete as young adults. My son is now running and I often talk about NCCHS and your great programs. Thank you again for all that you gave to us. Sincerely Jon Dachos

Jon - June 16, 2020 at 11:47 AM

DP

Bob and I are thankful for sharing your memories and kind and thoughtful words of our dad.

Debra Prinzing - June 21, 2020 at 05:17 PM

DT

“ Dwayne was a long time and dear member of the First Presbyterian Church of Libertyville. I had the great opportunity to work with him on the 140th celebration of the church and to hear the history that Dwayne had about Libertyville and our Church as just a treasure. my fondest memory was that he always sat in the last pew of the church, shaking hands with folks as they were leaving services. That is where he and Sharon always sat.

Appreciate our conversations, and being able to visit with him at Spring Meadows and then Libertyville Manor. My comforting prayers go out to his family and know that we are all sending you prayers.

Deb Tischendorf - June 16, 2020 at 10:43 AM

DP

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Debra Prinzing - June 21, 2020 at 05:15 PM

MB

“ Coach Foote taught a lot about athletics, for me football, and life. Coach always had a smile and good words. May Coach RIP.

Mike Babicz - June 15, 2020 at 04:24 PM

MP

He was a great motivator

Mark Phelps - June 16, 2020 at 09:42 AM

TJ

*Mr Foote pour into the children of North Chicago Community High School lives he was and outstanding Man. Teacher and Coach you will be missed! Pastor T W Jones ' 82 '*

**Timothy Jones** - June 16, 2020 at 05:40 PM

JM

*REST IN PEACE, DWAYNE. WE LOVE YOU. JOAN JOHNSTON TOMKOVICK AND JOHN M. MILLER.*

**JOHN M. MILLER** - June 17, 2020 at 04:43 PM

JH

*Rest Easy Mr. Foote. You believed in me at a time when I didn't/couldn't believe in myself. You made the subject of American History come to life for me and more than that, you made me believe that every persons contribution big or small was significant. In your class, everyone mattered. Thank you. Jacqueline Nicole Harris, '95.*

**Jacqueline N Harris** - June 17, 2020 at 04:44 PM

PR

*Rest in Peace Mr Foote. Thank you for all the wonderful memories with my family during high school. Your energy and Russian stories will be missed but remembered. Say high to Ms. Foote, my dad and mom when you play cards with them in heaven and eat all the delicious desserts from your mom. We love you and will miss you dearly.....Paul, Charlene, Nick, Kyle, Shane and Francesca.....*

**Paul S. Radovan** - June 18, 2020 at 12:58 PM

JC

*Mr. Foote taught me when I was a teacher at NCCHS. His mentorship and friendship was passed on to so many. His essence will live on in so many of us.*

**judy friedes craig** - June 18, 2020 at 02:07 PM

DP

*Thank you for sharing all the great memories and all the kind and thoughtful words of our dad.*

**Debra Prinzing** - June 21, 2020 at 05:13 PM

BD

*Coach Foote brought me on as his assistant as a very young teacher/coach right out of college. He taught e quite a bit and I am forever grateful for the lessons I learned. He was one of the most positive individuals I have ever known and has a long history of molding young minds and getting young athletes to perform extremely well. Life is a succession of memories and he helped create many positive memories for those we coached.*

**Bill Dawson - NCCHS staff 1878-1982**

**Bill Dawson** - June 24, 2020 at 01:27 AM