



## Edgar O. Savage

November 29, 1947 - August 20, 2022

Seabrook - Edgar Osborne Savage, 74, of Seabrook, passed away peacefully on Saturday, August 20, 2022 after a lengthy illness complicated by Covid. He was born November 29, 1947 in Framingham, MA, a son of the late Winthrop and Helen (Whitehouse) Savage.

Edgar was a multi-sport star athlete and 1965 graduate of Winnacunnet High School. He went on to earn his Bachelor's Degree from the University of New Hampshire where he was a varsity football player, winning several regional awards, including ECAC player of the week for his performance as a defensive middle guard. Edgar was employed for over 30 years as a physical education teacher at the Hampton Academy Junior High School in Hampton where he touched the lives of many students as a teacher, mentor and coach. He was also active in officiating youth sports, his favorites being lacrosse and soccer.

He was a 50 year resident of Newmarket, NH before moving to Seabrook in 2018.

Edgar is survived by his son, Kenneth Savage of Newmarket, his sister Natalie Savage Brown of Seabrook, his brother Richard Savage of Knox, ME and numerous nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, Edgar was predeceased by his brother Mark Savage and his sister, Virginia Sadler.

Services will be private. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations to the Winthrop & Helen Savage Scholarship Fund, c/o Winnacunnet Dollars for Scholars, PO box 1593, North Hampton, NH, 03862, or by following this link: <https://secure.givelively.org/donate/winnacunnet-dollars-for-scholars-inc>

# Tribute Wall

SG

“ I worked with Ed when he brought his students for a week of environmental education over many years. He was an amazing teacher and such a warm, positive and kind human being. He was a role model for me on how to treat others. The world has lost one of the good ones.

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**Sherry Christy Gilmore** - October 17, 2022 at 09:50 AM



“ *Edgar O. Savage*

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September 18, 2022 at 12:49 AM

BB

“ You will not meet a better man than Ed Savage! Ed devoted his entire life to helping young people and being a terrific friend to many. His impact at Hampton Academy is legendary, but his impact across the state of New Hampshire as an ambassador to fair play and sportsmanship cannot be equaled! NH, in particular the seacoast lost a great man. His values, his integrity and his kindness to others will live on. God Bless you Ed!

*Best -  
Billy Ball*

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**Bill Ball** - September 16, 2022 at 10:02 AM

RS

“ Our Uncle Ed was the best guy!! Hardworking from sun-up to sun-down. Always smiling and loved his New Hampshire dialect!! Remember him when he would do a cannonball off the diving board into the pool and it was the biggest splash us kids ever saw!! My brothers and I remember he was a really big guy ( football ) and whenever they would visit us at my mom and dad's home in NJ when we were young it was the best time because it was the only time there was a LOT of food in the house including snacks. He is in our prayers always and know he is at peace. Love always, Robin Sabol, Edwin Reed Jr., Gavin Reed, Darin Reed his wife Debbie and son Nathan Reed

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**Robin Sabol** - September 12, 2022 at 11:59 AM



“ Ed was such a kind and generous man. Condolences to his family and friends. We lost a good one 🙏

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**David Morissette** - September 06, 2022 at 03:53 PM

AG

“ I will miss Ed's smile and sense of humor. We played several football games together in the early 60's. God speed.

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**Allen Griffin** - September 05, 2022 at 09:29 PM

JH

“ Share a memory.....Edgar and I did that very thing awhile back. We laughed about his making a basket from his sitting position at the time on the floor in the key during a basketball game. we laughed about finding shoes....he forgot them on the way to referee a game, now where to you find sneakers size 16 EEE. Needless to say we were 1 hr late for the game. We had lots of stories that afternoon, with lots of laughs that I will always treasure. He may of been a big guy.....but he even had a bigger heart. From a teammate and friend, you will be missed . John Hopkins

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**john hopkins** - September 03, 2022 at 10:52 PM

TW

“ Eddy and I were friends for most of our school days. We shoveled snow and mowed lawns and blew the money at Morellis on penny candy. He came with my family to Washington DC on April vacation many years and we swam in taylor river in the summer. He will be remembered dearly by my family and his students and athletes he coached.

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**tom walker** - September 03, 2022 at 04:20 PM

MH

“ I had him for gym at HAJH more than 20 years ago. What a wonderfully kind, positive, and all around excellent human being and teacher.

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**Maggie Hames** - September 03, 2022 at 01:32 PM

JP

“ I had the privilege to start my professional career in Hampton, first for the Rec. Dept. and then at HAJH. Ed was a mentor and the best hugger when I'd see him out and about. We began refereeing high school soccer together over 30 years ago. He and “Oakie” were quite a team. Thanks for the many fond memories, Ed. You have left a positive impact on many and will live on in our hearts.

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**Joy Page** - September 03, 2022 at 12:05 PM

DS

“ I will think of Ed often and every time I do it will be with a big smile on my face!!! I so enjoyed working with him when I was a sub at the Jr High!!! He was a favorite of mine as well as a favorite of my kids!!! God Bless!!!

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**Denyce Stellmach** - September 02, 2022 at 11:02 PM

LH

“ I am so deeply sorry to hear of the loss of Eddie. I will forever have so many fond memories of him. He was always one to share a smile with the world or give a hug to those in need. He was a man of great character who worked hard and touched the lives of many. May all the beautiful memories of him always bring comfort to the hearts of all of know and love him and may he never be forgotten. I send my deepest sympathies to all.

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**Lisa H** - September 02, 2022 at 10:39 PM

CD

“ I'm so sorry to learn about Edgar's passing. I loved working with him at HAJH, especially heading off to Environmental School in NH. He cared so much for his students and kept a well stocked HUGE storage cart on wheels ready for the week at environmental school - filled with boots, jackets, sock, etc. just in case a student needed anything. I remember is passion for vintage tractors and have often thought of him when I see a cast iron tractor toy! My sincere condolences to his family and friends.

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**Cyndy Dow** - September 02, 2022 at 08:33 PM

AC

“ He was a wonderful teacher and man with a good heart. I have only good memories of gym class, except climb the rope, oh those ropes. Rest in peace Mr. Savage.

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**Alfred Chamberland** - September 02, 2022 at 07:44 PM

DH

“ I had the privilege of having Ed as both a teacher and also played football for him. He was a great Coach but more importantly a great human being. He always found a way to make you better regardless of your ability, and treated everyone the same. He could have been intimidating, but found a way to motivate without intimidation. He truly was a larger than life presence throughout the WHS community, and regardless of your interaction with him, you came away a better person. He was a rare human being and will be missed. Don Hause '78

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**Donald M Hause** - September 02, 2022 at 05:35 PM

TB

*Like Don I also played football at WHS, 1973-77. I had known Ed since HAJH 3 years prior to that, he was a great teacher, coach and friend, always had a smile and made a tough practice fun. Quick with a joke, always laughing and smiling, he brightened my day when I would pass him in the hallway at HAJH.*

*One time he saw me coming and said, "Here comes the studious Mr. Bohan!" I asked him, "What did you just call me?!" I had never heard that word before! He laughed hard and from that day forward we always joked about 'studious'.*

*I know he will be missed by his family, he was a great guy, coach and mentor. Sorry for your loss. Tim Bohan, '77*

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**Tim Bohan** - November 16, 2022 at 03:16 PM

AK

“ *Godspeed Coach. You were an awesome teacher, coach and human. Thank you.*

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**Andrew Kelsen** - September 02, 2022 at 12:49 PM

SN

“Edgar and I came to Hampton Academy in September of 1970. He was larger than life, and so happy to be back in his junior high. Some of his teachers became his colleagues. He immediately became a beloved and well respected teacher and coach. In a time when too many of our students were living in campgrounds for part of the school year, Ed made certain locker room showers were open early in the morning, and collected towels for kids use.

He worked with the staff to provide help for every student in need. Ed set up a fund for scholarships for Environmental School, so that any child could attend. And he loved being outside learning with the kids. During the Blizzard of 1978, he led the way re-organizing activities so that we were able to include all planned activities and classes during the blizzard. He did this after injuring his shoulder when his snow tube crashed in to a tree.

Edgar was a giant of a man, physically. His heart was even larger. He was at Hampton Academy when it was the very best time to be a teacher. If teachers had families, they most likely qualified for food stamps, and we became more of a family than imaginable. Ed knew how to make the very best of those times.

Edgar was a complex person, beyond my ability to fully understand. But in our years together, he was a good and true friend, and amazing teacher, coach, and mentor to many young people, and a man worthy of being remembered as a true teacher. Godspeed Edgar.

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**Sheila Nudd** - September 02, 2022 at 09:11 AM

DD

“Ed was a kind and gentle man. When you met and talked with Ed, you had a friend for life. May the Lord welcome him home with open arms.

*Doug DeSilva*

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**Doug DeSilva** - September 02, 2022 at 08:22 AM

JL

“ *Mr. Savage was my gym teacher in HAJH 30 years ago. I always remember him fondly and so do all of my old HAJH buddies. He was an even-keeled, funny and kind teacher and he will be missed. Rest in Peace, Mr. Savage.*

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**Joshua Lent** - September 01, 2022 at 10:38 PM

RG

*Edgar was a dear and valued friend and I'm going to miss him. Ray Grady*

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**Ray Grady** - September 02, 2022 at 12:53 PM

LH

“ *Mr Savaage was my junior high PE teacher. We had many many fun classes and he was a big part of the environmental camp trips that we went on in 6th and 8th grade. He taught us to always carry bread bags to keep your feet dry in your shoes and I learned how to play shuffle board.*  
*In my adult years he worked for the courier company that our lab employed for in house testing so I saw him every day.*  
*He is one of those teachers I will never forget and will always be able to share a funny or fond memory of him.*

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**Lisa Hardenbrook** - September 01, 2022 at 08:19 PM

MC

“ *I had Mr. Savage for PE and as a coach when I was a student at HAJH in 1982-86. He was such a nice man and positive coach. He made everything so fun. Condolences to his family and thank you Ed for being a part of many wonderful childhood memories for me.*

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**Michelle Callihan** - September 01, 2022 at 07:37 PM

HH

“ I knew Ed Savage at HAJH 1988-1992, and even thereafter at WHS. He was one of the best, a big smile and a huge heart. Always supportive. My thoughts and prayers to his family and friends.

Heather Hancock - September 01, 2022 at 07:04 PM



“ I had Mr. Savage in at HAJH, my memories of him are that he had a wonderful smile, he was a great motivator and all around good guy. Sending heartfelt condolences to his loved ones and to all whom he made a difference i their lives.



McKenzie Shepard - September 01, 2022 at 05:43 PM



“ Very sad to hear this. He was quite a man.



Sandra Baillargeon-Sheridan - September 01, 2022 at 03:00 PM

JP

“ Truly sorry to hear this news. Growing up in Hampton and going through HAJH in the mid 70s was an awesone time. MR. Savage was truly a great man, teacher and all around friend to many kids. Rest easy sir..

James Price - September 01, 2022 at 01:53 PM

AN

“ Ed was our courier at Core Lab. What a sweet man. Rest in peace  
ED. AB

Angela - September 01, 2022 at 01:06 PM

GP

Ed and I were on the Warren's Supermarket basketball team in the early 50's, and went on to play for Winnacunnet. Ed was a tremendous football player at UNH and it has been my pleasure to know him over so many years. He will be missed by many, many people, including me.  
Greg Pickering

Gregory Pickering - September 03, 2022 at 09:04 AM

DS

I worked at Hampton Acadmey with Mr. Savage from 1989-2004. Remember morning "meetings" with Ed and the two Toms. Always a good story or a joke to start our days. Many memories...many smiles. A dedicated teacher, coach and sports official. He will be missed by all who knew him. My thoughts and prayers to his family and friends.RIP

David Standen

david standen - September 07, 2022 at 08:35 AM

MD

I played against Ed in high school in two sports and really liked him. Liking an opponent was unusual, but Ed was really easy to like. Later we played on the Shrine Team together and became good friends. We saw each other often at UNH and it was always a pleasure to be with him. My sincere condolences to his family. He was one of a kind.

Mike Donovan

Mike Donovan - September 07, 2022 at 08:58 PM