

Hugh Sauer

An NHS graduate said of Hugh Sauer: Mr. Sauer, in his journey through the halls of Northridge, has been teacher, principal, superintendent, friend, counselor, advocate, mentor, supporter, and confidant . . . and the list goes on.

Hugh was born in 1915 and graduated from West Alexandria High School (now Twin Valley South) in 1933. He earned a B.S. in Education from Miami University in 1938 and taught music and biology at Lewisburg (Tri-County North) from 1938 to 1942. During World War II, Hugh served with the 5th Army Combat Engineers in North Africa and Italy from 1942 to 1945. He served as Field Organization Secretary for the Ohio TB Health Association from 1946 to 1949, when he began his career at Northridge.

Hugh taught instrumental music at NHS from 1949 to 1956. He earned his Master's Degree at Miami University in 1960. He was principal of NHS from 1956 to 1964, when he became Northridge's first Assistant Superintendent. After Charles Tarzinski retired in 1967, Hugh served as Northridge's third Superintendent until his retirement in 1976.

Since his retirement, Hugh and his wife Joan have traveled through Great Britain and coast to coast in the U.S. He is vice-president of the Preble County Retired Teachers Association and is a life member of the Preble County and Montgomery County Retired Teachers Association and the Ohio Retired Teachers Association.

Hugh is environmentally conscious and is a member of the Sierra Club. He is also active in the Preble County Humane Society. He and Joan enjoy sharing their schnauzer with rest home patients to pet and adore.

He and Joan are currently living in his old stompin' grounds, West Alexandria, to be near his older brother who is in poor health.