

Artist Statement: 27th Annual Exhibition of Artists in Michigan Prisons

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This years submission is appropriately titlad: Hometown PRIDE - (All Dad's Favorites). With the passing of my Dad just shy of 1 year ago, my memory of his passion for sports

and his undying solidarity to the "Michigan" sports teams that we both loved still remains. I have many fond memories of times shared together cheering on our "Hometown

Heroes" as we watched year after year in hopes that this year our teams would win it all. My times spent with Dad whather it was at Joe Louis Arena watching the Redwings,

Tiger Stadium, cheering on the Tigers, the Silverdome watching the Lions, Pistons at the Palace, or simply glued to the TV on Saturday's watching our beloved Wolverines charge

the field of the "Big House" as the band ushers them into battle with their famous rendition of "Hail To The Victor". These times I'll fondly remember always. Later in

life oftentimes it wasn't long before our conversations always turned to us talking about how our favorite Michigan sports teams were doing. My love of sports was something

I was fortunate enough to share with my Father--the man I loved more than life itself. It seemed fitting to me that my work on this piece was completed just today, 10/14/22,

which would have been Dad's Birthday. Glancing over at my wallboard of a photo of Dad, I couldn't help but to shed a tear as I said, "This is for you--Pop!"

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