



Benedict "Fritz" Heinen

October 14, 1928 - March 26, 2016

A time of remembrance for Benedict "Fritz" Heinen will be from noon to 3:00 pm on Monday, March 28, 2016 at the Johnson-Schuller Chapel in Wadena. A family graveside service will follow with Father Wilfred Theisen officiating. Fritz passed away at the age of 87, on Saturday, March 26, 2016 after a brief stay at the Good Samaritan Nursing Home in Waconia.

Fritz was born on October 14, 1928 to Frank and Mary (Servaty) Heinen in Wadena, MN. Fritz graduated from high school and shortly after joined the Army. Before he was honorably discharged, he married his sweetheart, Shirley Valure, on January 15, 1953 in Wadena.

He built and/or remodeled many homes in Wadena, and was known for his wonderful craftsmanship. He was an avid hunter and outdoorsman. He enjoyed spending time at the family lake home and particularly enjoyed spoiling his grandchildren and great grandchildren. Fritz was a member of the Wadena Elks Club, Knob Hill Sportsman Club, and the Wadena VFW.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Frank and Mary; brothers, Jack, Joseph, and Anthony; sisters, Anne (Al) Beimert; sister-in-law, Dorothy Heinen and infant grandson, Troy Heinen.

Fritz will be greatly missed by his loving wife, Shirley; sons, Mark (Bev)

Heinen and Rob Edquist; daughters, Cheryl Heinen, Lecia Heinen, Sheila (Mark) Stangret, Christi (Dion) Heinen-Sears; sisters-in-law, Marladene Miller, Betty Miller, Diane (Darwin) Stelzer, Vicky (Tom) Zeigler, Sharon (Dave) Remmon, and Nancy (Pat) Gertens; grandchildren, Taria (Brian) Cameron, Nicole (Bryan) Boman, Luke Heinen, Jessica and Kathryn Stangret; great-grandchildren, Annika, Kiera, Nora Cameron and Kiefer and Laine Boman, along with many nieces and nephews.

Military honors provided by the Elmer Goche Post 3922, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Wadena, MN.

Burial will be at Calvary Cemetery in Wadena, MN.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

Franklin Dr. & 6th St SW
Wadena, MN 56482

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 28. 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Johnson-Schuller Chapel
205 4th Street Southwest
Wadena, MN 56482
(218) 631-3632

Tribute Wall



“ *Schuller Family Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Benedict "Fritz" Heinen*



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - March 27, 2016 at 09:24 AM

JE

“ *Jim & Gerry Esler lit a candle in memory of Benedict "Fritz" Heinen*



Jim & Gerry Esler - March 31, 2016 at 09:02 AM

LH

Thank you Jim and Gerry ♡

Lecia Heinen - April 16, 2016 at 11:15 AM

PM

“ *Pat Margette lit a candle in memory of Benedict "Fritz" Heinen*



Pat Margette - March 31, 2016 at 09:01 AM

TC

“ I will always remember grandpa's wonderful smile, laugh and kind and loving nature. He always welcomed us in such a warm way. His love of kids was evident by how he lit up around them. His gift of carpentry and great work ethic have been inspiring to me. But most of all I will remember how well he loved us all. He will be dearly missed.



Taria Cameron - March 28, 2016 at 05:38 PM

RB

“ Robert & Phyllis & Floyd & Billie Braun lit a candle in memory of Benedict "Fritz" Heinen



Robert & Phyllis & Floyd & Billie Braun - March 28, 2016 at 04:32 PM

RW

“ Robert & Phyllis Wilkening lit a candle in memory of Benedict "Fritz" Heinen



Robert & Phyllis Wilkening - March 28, 2016 at 04:30 PM

TC

“ My memories of grandpa are of his kind , loving nature. Always happy to see us. I know he loved kids by the way he lit up when they were around including his great grand kids. He seemed to get a kick out of their crazy performances and antics. I will remember his wonderful smile and laugh, his excellent gift of carpentry, and the way he loved us all. He will be missed dearly.



Taria Cameron - March 28, 2016 at 11:43 AM

EF

“ Esther And Alan Freitag lit a candle in memory of Benedict "Fritz" Heinen



Esther and Alan Freitag - March 28, 2016 at 10:13 AM

JM

“ Jim Michelle Madison And Morgan lit a candle in memory of Benedict "Fritz" Heinen



Jim Michelle Madison and Morgan - March 28, 2016 at 09:11 AM

JH

May Fritz rest in peace. Our thoughts and prayer are with his family.

Jim Michelle Madison and Morgan Harrison - March 28, 2016 at 09:12 AM

JH

Our thoughts and prayers are with you Shirley and family. Rest in peace Fritz.

Jimmy, Michelle, Morgan and Madison Harrison

Jim Michelle Morgan and Madison Harrison - March 28, 2016 at 09:16 AM

JS

“ *Great Finish carpenter and good family friend*



Jim&Tracey Stoneman - March 28, 2016 at 09:09 AM

RB

“ *Thanks to Fritz for all his talented work on the Elks lodge that the Wadena community still uses today.*



Ray & Dorothy Beyer

Ray Beyer - March 28, 2016 at 08:58 AM

MW

“ *Myron & Karen Winkelman lit a candle in memory of Benedict "Fritz" Heinen*



Myron & Karen Winkelman - March 28, 2016 at 08:56 AM

BE

“ As his daughter-in-law, I'll always think of "Dad", as having a twinkle in his eye and great pride for his family and home. He was loved and will be greatly missed!

Bev - March 28, 2016 at 07:20 AM

JD

“ Jerry & Janice Denny lit a candle in memory of Benedict "Fritz" Heinen



Jerry & Janice Denny - March 27, 2016 at 10:02 PM

JU

“ I have many fond memories of Uncle Fritz and I am very thankful to have had him in my life. I truly enjoyed all the happy times spent at the cabin with him and Aunt Shirley; from swimming and boating as a child to having a cold beer on the deck watching the sun set as an adult. I also loved having Fritz and Shirley come visit me in Texas.



Fritz was always kind and helpful to me. In my first house he installed a beautiful storm door that turned out to be the envy of my neighbors. This would never have happened if it weren't for Fritz. While staying at my place, he vacuumed every day. Sadly, since then the vacuuming doesn't happen quite that often. :)

Cheers Fritz. I hope they have cold beer heaven.

Julie Chandler

Julie - March 27, 2016 at 09:34 PM

BM

“ *Betty Miller lit a candle in memory of Benedict "Fritz" Heinen*



Betty Miller - March 27, 2016 at 07:25 PM

LH

Thank you Betty.

Lecia Heinen - March 27, 2016 at 10:33 PM

BM

“ *Fritz will dearly missed. Memories from back in Colorado(worked on cog road to Pikes Peak)after he was out of the army. Many memories at the lake , Tucson, and Texas. We all have many happy times with him and family. God Bless. Betty Miller*

Betty Miller - March 27, 2016 at 07:24 PM

BL

“ *Bomans, Camerons, and Luke purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Benedict "Fritz" Heinen.*



Bomans, Camerons, and Luke - March 27, 2016 at 06:58 PM

MH

“ *Harry has a lot of fond memories of Fritz. He tells me some every so often. May Fritz rest in peace.*
Marge and Harry Harrison

Marge and Harry Harrison - March 27, 2016 at 06:34 PM

MH

“ Marge And Harry Harrison lit a candle in memory of Benedict "Fritz" Heinen



Marge and Harry Harrison - March 27, 2016 at 06:32 PM

BR

“ Bruce & Lucy Rehm lit a candle in memory of Benedict "Fritz" Heinen



Bruce & Lucy Rehm - March 27, 2016 at 05:45 PM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Benedict "Fritz" Heinen.



March 27, 2016 at 03:20 PM



“ 51 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - March 27, 2016 at 09:16 AM

MH

“ *Marladene Heinen lit a candle in memory of Benedict "Fritz" Heinen*



Marladene Heinen - March 26, 2016 at 11:06 PM