



Don Meyer

June 16, 1928 - October 23, 2006

Donald E. Meyer died on October 24, 2006. He's at peace. Don was married Wanda Halliwill in April of 1956. They raised their children, Gary, Steve, Voni and Judy in the Seattle area. Many vacations to visit their grandparents Oral and Marion Halliwill, in Wadena. Don always considered "the farm" to be the home he had dreamed of. Although Don and Wanda divorced in 1973, they worked to ensure that the family stayed close and enjoyed the grandchildren they shared. Don's first job after graduating from high school was with Boeing Airplane Company. He worked there for 23 years, worked with Alaska Airlines for a few years and ran a pizza shop in Auburn, WA. In his later years he worked as a handyman, carpenter, apartment maintenance person. He tried to help each of his children and many grandchildren with building and fixing things. Two things he used to say a lot were "if it's not borken, don't fix it" and "it's not like we're building a piano." Don retired in 1998 and decided to move from Seattle to Wadena to be closer to his daughters and some of his grandchildren. He enjoyed flower and vegetable gardens, being outdoors and nature in all of it's beautiful glory but more that anthing else, he loved his family. He would say that his best days were those spent passing the potatoes at the family dinner, getting a hug, and talking with family on the phone. For the past several months Don's health diminished even more quickly so that he couldn't enjoy these anymore. He is at peace now. Don was preceded in death by his parents Nicholas & Mary; two brothers Douglas & Royal; sister Marjorie. He is survived by the mother to his children, Wanda Richards; sons

Gary Meyer & Steve Meyer; daughters Voni Meyer & Judy Johnston; 11 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild. Services will be held on Friday, October 27th at 1:00 PM at the Johnson Memorial Home in Wadena.

Tribute Wall

PS

“ I'm the oldest daughter of Marvin (brother of Don) and Ethel Meyer in Wentzville, sister of Willie Meyer who let me know of this site. I echo Willie's thoughts; we didn't know Dad's family very well, and it was wonderful that Don could make the trip to Missouri a few years ago and celebrate with us. My sympathy to Don's family in their sorrow.

Pat

Patricia Meyer Schafermeyer - October 23, 2006 at 12:00 AM

WM

“ I am Marvin & Ethel's son. I am so happy he got to get down to MO. for my parents 50 th aniversary party. It was a memory our family will not forget. It sounds like Marvin & Donald could be twins. They seemed to enjoy the same things and also looked alike. Donald, Iwill always remember your smile and unique laugh.

*Rest in peace,
Your Missouri relatives,*

Willie

Willie Meyer - October 23, 2006 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ *My condolences to the whole family for your loss on the passing of Don. Thank you for gathering and then contributing all of the photos which represented his deep family values.*

*There's an open gate at the end of the road,
Through which each one must go alone;
And there is a light we cannot see
Our Father claims His own.
Beyond the gate, our loved ones
Find happiness and rest.*

A page in our book of memories Is silently turned this day.

*'til we meet again,
Beverly*

Beverly Meyer - October 23, 2006 at 12:00 AM

GV

“ *To the family I can relate to your loss at this time because Mom passed last November and I still miss her.
Don was such a nice guy and definitely valued his family
He will be missed
Love
cindy*

Greg and Cindy Vicars - October 23, 2006 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ I was so sorry to hear of Uncle Don's passing. Betty Gunderson, my mother, had kept me informed of his declining health, and I pray he is now at peace. I have fond memories of him while growing up, as well as the touching verbal tribute he gave at my dad's funeral service. The video tribute on the website was quite touching, and I extend my heartfelt condolences to all. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Love,
Sue

Barbara & Chuck MacLearnsberry - October 23, 2006 at 12:00 AM