



## Doug Heern

August 12, 1948 - January 8, 2011

Douglas Ralph Heern was born to Ralph and Birdie (Skaro) Heern on August 12, 1948 in Wadena, MN. Doug lived his entire life in the Wadena and Verndale area. He attended and graduated from the Wadena Public Schools. In May 1968 he entered the United States Army and was honorably discharged in May 1970. Doug was a member of the Wadena VFW. He was employed as a furniture machinist for many years at Homecrest Industries in Wadena. He enjoyed the outdoors as an avid hunter and fisherman. In 1994, he was honored to be selected as the Wadena County Soil and Water Conservation, District Conservation Cooperator of the Year. Doug passed away, at the age of 62, on January 8, 2011, surrounded by family at his sister's home in Wadena, under the care of Tri-County Hospital Hospice. Doug was preceded in death by his parents Ralph and Birdie; brother Darwin; and brother-in-law Gregg Marquardt. He is survived by his devoted sisters Donna (Duane) Trana of Wadena, and Wanda Marquardt of Duluth; nieces and nephews Mike (Sue) and Jacob Marquardt, Denise Ozdemir, Paula (Milo) and Owen Swenson of Duluth, Julie (Jason) and Josh & Jordan Brink of Wadena, and Tracy Trana of Wadena. Funeral services were held at 11:00 a.m. on January 12, 2011, at the First Congregational United Church of Christ in Wadena, with Pastor Marli Danielson officiating. Pallbearers were Mike Marquardt, Milo Swenson, Jason Brink, Rick Schwartz, Tim Schwartz, and Jim Waldahl. Interment was in West Lyons Cemetery in rural Nimrod.



# Tribute Wall

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“ *I am very sorry to hear of Doug's passing. He was a genuine delight to work with in clinic and will be missed.*

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**Penny Gardner** - January 08, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Thanks for all the deer hunting memories, Doug. I will always remember the smile you'd get on your face when talking about all the deer you saw or the ones we chased. You always smiled whether we were celebrating our harvest, or discussing how they outsmarted us, or even when they swam away on you! Deer hunting won't be the same without you.*

*We'll miss you Doug.*

*Ryan*

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**Ryan Schwartz** - January 08, 2011 at 12:00 AM