



Jeff Dague

September 11, 1955 - July 29, 2008

Jeffrey Lee Dague was born on September 11, 1955 to Royston and Eunice (Erickson) Dague in Wadena, Minnesota. He passed away unexpectedly, at the age of 52, on July 29, 2008 in Louisville, Kentucky. Jeff was united in marriage with Sharon Paulson in 1974. He later was united in marriage with Debra Niemela on August 11, 1989 in the Christian and Missionary Alliance Church in Verndale. He will be remembered as the owner and operator of J & R Mattresses for 30 years. He was currently driving truck for Daggett Trucking. Jeff enjoyed four-wheeling, snowmobiling, hunting, and golf. He especially enjoyed spending time with family and friends. Jeff was preceded in death by his daughter Kristi Jo Niemela; and grandson Tyler Charles Scott. He is survived by his wife, Debra; parents, Royston and Eunice; son, Christopher (Melanie) of Osakis; daughters, Michelle (Brandon) Barus of Litchfield, Erica (Josh) Scott of Ingleside, TX, and Kelly Dague of Fort Collins, CO; grandchildren, Collin, Courtney & Ellie Dague, and Isaac & Abby Barus; brother, Bernard (Dee) of Fargo, ND; sisters, Karen Young of Crystal, Deb (Dick) Finck of Bertha, Pam (Dave) Fuller of Verndale, and Laura (Terry) Campbell of Bertha; and many family members including nieces and nephews. Memorial services were held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, August 2, 2008 in the Christian and Missionary Alliance Church in Verndale with Pastor Daryl Jacobson officiating. Honorary pallbearers were all of Jeff's grandchildren. Active pallbearers were Gene Finck, Gary Kneisl, Dale Finck, Ryan Winters, and Kevin Fuller.

Tribute Wall

KR

“ *Deb and family, you are in my thoughts and prayers. May God wrap you in his arms and provide comfort and peace during this difficult time.*

Karla Richardson - July 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DT

“ *We are truly sorry for your loss - Jeff was a kind and caring person and will be missed by many. May you find comfort in the knowledge that many are praying for you Deb, and for your families. May God give you strength and courage in the days ahead. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Our Love and Sympathy - Dennis & Susan Thiel*

Dennis & Susan Thiel - July 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

VC

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this very difficult time. I wish you quiet moments with many happy memories. Jeff's spirit and kindness will forever be a part of your life.*

Vicki (Theisen) Chesney - July 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ *To the Dague family, my deepest and sincere condolences for your loss of a dear husband, father, son and brother. May God give you peace and comfort during this difficult time.*

Kevin Hennagir - July 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

IR

“ To the Dague family, we send our sympathies to the entire family. We were very good friends with Royston and Eunice many years ago, and have fond memories of the times we spent together. May God keep all of you in his care during these difficult days. Sincerely,
Ivan and Irene

Ivan and Irene Roggenkamp - July 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Debbie and Family,

We are deeply sorry for you and the family and you're in our prayers. There are no words to express what I feel right now. Only that I cannot be there to see everyone. I viewed the video and I recall some of those times when I was in Minnesota. And then I was blown away to see that everyone has grown up and the mess of Grand Kids you have! I was so happy to see the look on Jeff's face when around the kids and the joy he had. I can hear him now "I like the grand kids . . you know why. . . I get to see them and then givem' back to their "Mom and Dad"!

Sometimes the distance is too far between us, but after seeing this, it brought us closer.

Jeff & Roy are two people that I looked up to! You guys treated me as one of your own (Even though I spoke funny). I miss him and I have missed your oatmeal cookies. You guys have always been in my heart. Tell every one "hi" and don't forget to give Gene Finck an elbow in the ribs. Wishing I was there.

with Love, Michael

Michael & Barbara Buschman - July 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RK

“ *Deb & Family, We were so shocked to hear the sad news. We will miss the two of you riding bike past our house, and the "Hi's", waves and smiles. If we can help you in any way, feel free to give us a call. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

Sincerely, Rich & Mavis Kendall

Rich & Mavis Kendall - July 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ *We are very sorry to hear the news about Jeff. He never failed to stop and say hi or chat. All of the family are in our thoughts and prayers.*

Take Care, Dale and Marlene

Marlene Campbell - July 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ *Debbie and family,
I am so sorry to hear about Jeff, I can only imagine your sadness. I want you to know that I am thinking about you and have you in my prayers. Your one of my best friends and you know I am there if I can do anything.*

Laureen

laureen wilde - July 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ *Uncle Jeff was so loving and kind and I will always remember him as silly and happy all the time! I'm so thankful that I was able to spend time so much time with him and getting all those great big hugs and kisses! I will Love and Miss you forever Uncle Jeff.*

kay morris - July 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KD

“ I am so sorry to hear of Jeff's death. It seems ironic that he was always the life and soul of the family get togethers. Eunice, I can't imagine what you are feeling at this time, just know that you have been in my thoughts. I remember Jeff mostly teasing Pam and Deb to tears usually and Eunice you were always the peacemaker(with the wooden spoon). His capacity at eating ham or turkey was also memorable. I am sure you will miss his easy smile and all the hugs and kisses he gave out to all. Again my deepest sympathy to you all. Kathy.

Kathleen Chapman Dague - July 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ I will always remember Jeff as one of the classes' pranksters and jokesters. He was always teasing someone and had a joyous personality. I want to express my sympathy to all of his family. I was so shocked to hear of his death. (Deb, I was also a '74 graduate of Wadena and remember being an acquaintance of yours also)

Connie Stebleton Boe - July 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LK

“ Deb and Family-I was so sorry to hear of Jeff's passing. Please know you are all in my thoughts and prayers. May God's love bring you comfort during this difficult time. I hope all your wonderful memories of Jeff bring a smile to your face and peace to your heart.

Laurie (Wallgren) Krueger - July 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TG

“ MY PRAYERS GO OUT TO THE WHOLE DAGUE FAMILY.
ROY,EUNICE,JEFF AND THE GIRL'S HAD ONE OF THE BEST
LITTLE FAMILY OWNED MATTERSS FACTORY'S IN THE
MIDWEST.
ALWAYS A PLEASURE TO WORK WITH AND A PLEASURE TO
WORK FOR.
I STILL HAVE MY BERTHA DAIRYLAND DAYS PIN FROM 1989
THAT I GOT FROM JEFF. HE MADE ME WEAR IT ON EVERY
SALES CALL I MADE FOR YEARS. ALWAYS LOTS OF FUN!
JEFF WILL BE MISSED BUT JEFF WILL NEVER BE
FORGOTTEN.
THE GOOD LORD KNOWS JEFF WAS A GOOD MAN.

TOM GIARRATANO - July 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM