



Paul Evans

December 27, 1942 - October 17, 2010

Paul Willard Evans was born on December 27, 1942, to Willard and Abigail (Kittleson) Evans in Appleton, MN. Paul and Janet “Jan” DeBoer were united in marriage on September 1, 1962 in Crookston. It was then that Paul began working for Red Owl in Bloomington, until 1966, when he started working for Mason Brothers Wholesale in Wadena. He retired in 1985, and he and Jan moved to Ottertail Lake, later moving to the Northwest Angle in 1993. Most of all he loved his family and enjoyed guiding them and his friends on Lake of the Woods for walleye, often taking a dollar from them on a “1st fish” bet! He also enjoyed hunting and playing cribbage. Paul passed away, unexpectedly, on October 17, 2010, at the age of 67, at home in Angle Inlet. Paul was preceded in death by his parents; and his sister Kathryn. He is survived by his loving wife Jan of Angle Inlet; daughters Lori (Ken) Kneisl of Wadena, and Lisa (John) Stainbrook of Burnsville; son David (Darnell) of Omaha, NE; 7 grandchildren & 1 great-grandchild; and sisters Margaret (Jim) Dix of Gig Harbor, WA, and Mary (Henry) Brei of Roseburg, OR. Memorial services were held at 2:00 p.m. on October 22, 2010, at the First Congregational United Church of Christ in Wadena, with Pastor Bob Griggs officiating. Honorary pallbearers were all of Paul’s grandkids, Samantha Kukowski, Sara Kneisl, Nicole Dykhoff, Taylor Stainbrook, Alexandra Stainbrook, Nicholas Evans, Zach Sweeney, and Avery Kukowski.

Tribute Wall

RO

“ *Jan, So sorry for your loss. Paul was a great guy.*

Richard Olson - October 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM

VI

Love u friend my condolences there is light your going to have a big smile RIP in heaven your friend violet

Violet - November 17, 2020 at 12:37 AM

DS

“ *I was at such a loss when I heard about Paul...he taught me so much about the Angle...saved my bacon when I needed help on mechanical things. He was always there to help out. I will miss him dearly...So sorry Jan..*

Dan

Dan Shaul - October 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LK

“ *Jan and Family, So sorry to hear of your loss, I always enjoyed you guys coming into Jerry's. You all are in my thoughts and prayers. Take care aye*

lynn Kleven-Ford - October 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ *We are so sorry to hear about Paul. Jan, you are in our prayers. May God give you peace. Dale thought the world of Paul.*

Dale and Jan Heins - October 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ We are so sorry to hear of your great loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. A tree is being planted in a National Forest and also in our yard in memory of Paul. He was a great man! We are also sorry we cannot be with you this week but hope to see you soon. Love & hugs, Darrell & Joyce

Darrell & Joyce Sanderson - October 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM

ES

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you. We've enjoyed your friendship and Ed will always remember Paul for being the guide to take him to the largest Walleye he's ever caught. He will be missed.

Ed & Shirley Strander

Ed & Shirley Strander - October 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ Jan & Family,
Our thoughts are with you at this difficult time.
The next trip to The North West Angle will not be the same with the loss of Paul--one of the best ambassadors for the area.
Paul had been instrumental for many of us returning time & time again.
We all met Paul for the first time when he was bartending at Grumpy's.
We continued our friendships on snowmobiling trips, fishing trips, and our annual Can/Am golf trips which he organized.
Thanks for always welcoming us into your home.
We are sure going to miss you "BIG GUY"
From your many Canadian Friends at
West Hawk & Falcon Lakes in Manitoba

Don & Lesley Lewis - October 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ We have lost a very special person and wonderful contributor to the NW Angle. Thinking of the Evans family during this difficult time.
God Bless,
Mike & Barb Tripp

Mike & Barb Tripp - October 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM

NF

“ Jan and family - This is the saddest thing I have heard of in a long while. I especially regret that I didn't see either Jan or Paul at the August reunion. Paul was a great guy and I have many fond memories of the two of you. Love and hugs - Nancy Freeman

Nancy Hanson Freeman - October 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ To Jan and family of Paul:

Paul's love of the outdoors, the people of the Angle, and his family was always evident when we visited with him. Always a smile on his face, accompanied with a cheerful greeting made our day. His only complaints . . . not enough snow to snowmobile or too windy to get out on the lake!!

We mourn your loss with you.

Debra Kellerman & Tony Wandersee - October 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ We will be at the Angle, the end of the month, first time this year, and was looking forward to seeing Paul and Jan. It's a shock for sure.

We enjoyed our visits and it didn't matter where. He was down home people, enjoyed what one had to say, we enjoyed island jumping with both of you. We have so many great memories.

Nancy will miss the hugs, they were special to her.

Thanks, Paul, for being our friend. You are missed.

Dan & Nancy Anderson - October 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TR

“ Dear Jan

Please except our thoughts and prayers on this very sad time in your life. Paul was one of the Good Guy's. I enjoyed spending time with him and can speak for all at Falcon Lake that we will miss him very much.

Please try to stay strong in this very difficult time and if there is anything we can do, just let us know.

Your freind

Tim

Tim Riddoch - October 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM

VK

“ Jan and Family

So sorry to read of Paul's passing.

Our prayers.

Vic and Karen Knudson - October 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ Jan,

Thinking of you at this difficult time. Paul provided many wonderful memories for his Canadian friends. Trips to the Angle will never be the same. We will miss him. We will keep in touch Love - Bill & Sherry

bill & sherry shedden - October 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ *Sorry we couldn't be with you today but our thoughts and prayers are with you*

Bert & Moe Carlson - October 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ *Jan and family,*

*We are both deeply sorry for your loss.
Your friendship has meant a great deal to us. Paul will be dearly missed.*

Bob and Judy Partridge - October 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ *I wish I could be there with you to celebrate Paul's life. Please know that you are all in my thoughts and prayers.*

Cindy Carew - October 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ Dear Jan & family,

Our sincere thoughts and prayers go out to you during this difficult time. We have numerous great and fond memories within both our families of which we cherish. Paul was a good man. We hope only for the best for you and your family Jan. God bless.

*Your friends,
Don, Violet and Greg Anderson*

Don, Violet, Greg Anderson - October 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ *I just found out about Paul's death and we are profoundly sorry. Paul was a good friend and a great guide for hunting and fishing at the angle.*

*We had many good times with Paul and Jan.
Jan, you have our deepest sympathy.*

Shirley & Dick

Dick & Shirley Clough - October 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ *Jan, so sorry to hear about Paul, he was way too young! You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

Mike & Alice Carr - October 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GC

“ *We are so sorry to hear of the passing of your dad / husband. Our deepest sympathy to you all during this difficult time. God bless ~
Greg & Kim*

Greg & Kim (Denny) Carlson - October 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ *I was so shocked to read about the passing of your father Lori. May God be with you at this difficult time. God Bless.*

Maryann and Jerry Riewer - October 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM