



Dennis W. Meyer

May 2, 1944 - October 11, 2023

Dennis W. Meyer, 79 year old resident of Pierz, MN passed away Wednesday, October 11, 2023 at Diamond Willow Assisted Living in Little Falls, MN. A Private family burial will take place at Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery north of Little Falls. Caring for Dennis and his family is the Shelley Funeral Chapel of Pierz, MN.

Dennis was born on May 2, 1944, to the late Michel and Ernestine (Nagel) Meyer in Little Falls. He graduated from Fr. Pierz Memorial High School with the class of 1962. Dennis began working at a very young age, you could usually find him fixing something in his dad's blacksmith shop or next door at Meyer's Meat Market. Dennis married the love of his life, Charlene Dubiel on June 5, 1965, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Pierz. The young couple made their home in St Paul where Dennis was employed by Johnson Meat Company. After two years of city life, Dennis moved his family back to the Pierz area, where he continued using his meat-cutting talent for Thielen Meats. He enjoyed visiting and joking around with the customers. During this time, he had also been enlisted in the Army National Guard. Dennis was determined to expand on his military career, and opted to attend Officer Candidate School at Fort Benning, Georgia. Over the years Dennis attended numerous military schools and received many honors of distinction, proving his dedication to our country. He was instrumental in organizing the Retirement Club for military personnel, which has grown to several hundred

militaries of all branches of the service, which is held twice a year at Camp Ripley. Dennis worked for 30 years in the CSMS Department at Camp Ripley as a machinist and shop supervisor and spent 34 years in the Army National Guard, retiring as a Command Sergeant Major. Dennis will be remembered for his great sense of humor, strong faith, and dedication to his family. He enjoyed a serious (competitive) card game, spent many hours duck hunting in Minnesota and Nebraska, deer hunting with the guys at the cabin, as well as fishing on many different lakes. He enjoyed trap shooting and participated in various trap leagues for several years. He made several yearly trips to the National Trap Shooting Tournament in Indiana. He also had a love for woodworking and old-time dancing. He was a great dancer and spent many hours on the dance floor with his lovely bride. He was a lifelong member of St. Joseph Parish in Pierz, the Little Falls and Pierz American Legion, the Pinnacle Club, and past president of the Eastern Morrison County Sportsman Club. Dennis' pride and joy were his wife, Charlene, his children, Todd and Michelle, grandkids, and great-grandkids. He always told them how proud he was of them and to make sure they knew they were loved. He was THE BEST storyteller and there wasn't a thing Grampa couldn't fix or do to put a smile on their face. Dennis was truly a jack-of-all-trades, and to family, he was a master at many.

Dennis is lovingly remembered by his wife, Charlene; children, Michelle (Troy) Block of Pierz and Todd (Justina) Meyer of St. Joseph; his 4 loving grandchildren, Courtney (Cavlin) Brausen of Sartell, Nicole (Jeremy) Traut of Sartell, Breanna Block of Pierz, and Mitchell Meyer of St. Joseph; his 5 adoring great-grandchildren, Abigail, Ava, Cole Brausen, Harrison and Brea Traut; brothers, Allen (Cindy) Meyer, James Meyer; sister-in-law, Pat Meyer and many nieces, and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Michel and Ernestine Meyer, sister, Erna Mae Wetzell, brother-in-law, George P. Wetzell, Sr., and nephew. George

P. Wetzel, Jr.

In memory of Dennis, the family is asking you to lend a helping hand to someone in need.

Cemetery Details

Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery

15550 Highway 115
Little Falls, MN

Events

Details are pending.

Tribute Wall

SK

“ I will certainly miss my nephew, Dennis, too. He was such a good reminder of my sister, his mother, Toots. I extend my sincere sympathy to Charlene and all of their children.
We all will miss him.
Helen LeBlanc Hamrick

Sandy Katzenmeyer - October 21, 2023 at 10:52 AM

DL

“ The loss of Uncle Dennis will leave a void in life. He was a daily presence in my earliest years. He was a handsome teenage uncle with a beauty Queen girlfriend. I never cease to be amazed at how many people he helped, or the delight in his eyes when he was doing so. He will always be one of my hero's.

Denise Wetzel Langworthy - October 21, 2023 at 10:40 AM

JO

“ Dennis was bigger than life at the duck slough and hunting cabins with his laughter and stories. He was always willing to jump in and help and on many occasions spent countless hours building homes, sheds, cabinets, and furniture for many of us. Dennis helped build our home and our cabin and introduced many tools and techniques to me. His passion for whatever he was doing was boundless.
Thanks for all you have done for us Dennis, and see you around the horn!

Joe - October 20, 2023 at 06:44 AM

CB

“ Correna Becker lit a candle in memory of
Dennis W. Meyer



Correna Becker - October 19, 2023 at 08:45 AM

MS

“ The loss of Dennis will leave a huge void in the lives of so many. A building project at home will be muddled through with less effectiveness and far less entertainment. A visit to Pierz will bring less joy than it once did. A morning in the duck slough will lack someone who once filled the idle moments with witty conversation and sage advice. I can't begin to list all the things this good man has done for me. He will be missed. Till we meet again Uncle Dennis.
Michel Wetzel

Michel Wetzel Sr. - October 17, 2023 at 11:38 AM

TW

“ Uncle Dennis was larger than life. With a booming voice and quick witted humor, he was always entertaining. Like a typical little brother, he reveled in stirring up his sister into fits. But day or night, he came to help her when called...always bringing with him humor and wit. He was the most all around capable man I have ever known. He literally could fix or build anything. In the duck marsh, there were no ducks too high or too fast for him. Many a time I watched him fold a high passing triple that seemed untouchable. But this man's greatest attribute was his heart of gold. He truly was a giver and a helper. This world is a duller and greyer place with him gone. But oh my, is heaven now rocking with love and laughter!!!
RIP Uncle Dennis.

Toni Wetzel - October 16, 2023 at 08:57 AM

TN

“ Theresa And Eugene Nelson sent a virtual gift
in memory of Dennis W. Meyer



Theresa and Eugene Nelson - October 15, 2023 at 09:46 AM

TN

Charlene and family, so sorry for your loss

Theresa and Eugene Nelson - October 15, 2023 at 09:47 AM

JD

*Condolences to the Wetzel and Meyer families regarding the loss of
beloved brother and uncle, Dennis.*

Joseph and Jacquie Doty

Jacquie Doty - October 18, 2023 at 08:25 AM

KT

“ *Charlene and family, I am so sorry for your
loss. Sending you prayers.*



Kelly Voltin Thomsen - October 14, 2023 at 03:37 PM

CB

“ *My sympathies to Charlene and family.*



Connie Banach - October 14, 2023 at 01:42 PM

DG

“ Donny And Deb Gall lit a candle in memory of Dennis W. Meyer



Donny and Deb Gall - October 14, 2023 at 01:36 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dennis W. Meyer.



October 14, 2023 at 09:43 AM

TP

“ Trudee Preimesberger lit a candle in memory of Dennis W. Meyer



Trudee Preimesberger - October 13, 2023 at 08:47 PM

TP

So sorry for the loss of Dennis. Thoughts and prayers are with you.

Trudee Preimesberger - October 13, 2023 at 08:48 PM

AH

“ Charlene and family,
My deepest sympathy to you all. Dennis was always ready to stop and visit whenever, where ever. He will be missed.

Arlene Hansmann - October 13, 2023 at 08:39 PM

HJ

“ *Heather Jurek lit a candle in memory of Dennis W. Meyer*



Heather Jurek - October 13, 2023 at 05:14 PM



“ *Jill Guith lit a candle in memory of Dennis W. Meyer*



Jill Guith - October 13, 2023 at 04:41 PM

JR

“ *Charlene and family. Deepest sympathies to you. Dennis was a wonderful man. Know that you are all in my thoughts and prayers. Roger and Janice*

Janice Rybaski - October 13, 2023 at 01:46 PM

BB

“ *Becky Boser-Essery lit a candle in memory of Dennis W. Meyer*



Becky Boser-Essery - October 13, 2023 at 01:27 PM

BB

Deepest sympathy to Charlene, Todd, Michelle, and family! You are in our thoughts and prayers. Curt, Boni, Becky, and Eric Boser

Becky Boser-Essery - October 13, 2023 at 01:32 PM

TS

“ *Sorry to hear of your loss. You are in our prayers.* ”



Tony and Jean Sauer - October 13, 2023 at 12:35 PM

PH

“ *Peggy Hoheisel sent a virtual gift in memory of Dennis W. Meyer* ”



Peggy Hoheisel - October 12, 2023 at 11:20 PM

JP

“ *John And Darlene Preimesberger lit a candle in memory of Dennis W. Meyer* ”



John and Darlene Preimesberger - October 12, 2023 at 07:31 PM

LL

“ *Linda {Ken} LeBlanc lit a candle in memory of Dennis W. Meyer*



Linda {Ken} LeBlanc - October 12, 2023 at 06:40 PM

LL

Sending prayers for comfort. Linda (Ken) LeBlanc

Linda {Ken} LeBlanc - October 12, 2023 at 06:41 PM

MW

“ *So sorry for your families loss! Prayers to all!*

Mike & Pearl Wilson - October 12, 2023 at 05:45 PM

C=

“ *Charlene and family my sympathy to you all at this most difficult time. Hugs to all of you. Carol and Ernie Marshik.*

Carol and Ernie =Marshik - October 12, 2023 at 04:32 PM

LA

Charlene and family, so very sorry for your loss. 🙏🙏🙏

Lola Austin - October 16, 2023 at 07:24 AM