



Donald J. Maciej

June 11, 1934 - August 17, 2021

Donald J. Maciej, 87 year old resident of Elmdale, MN, passed away on Tuesday, August 17, 2021 at his residence. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11 AM on Monday, August 23, 2021 at St. Edwards Catholic Church in Elmdale, MN, with Fr. David Grundman officiating. Burial will be at St. Edwards parish cemetery. Visitation will be from 4 to 7 PM on Sunday and 10 to 11 AM on Monday, both at St. Edwards Church. Parish prayers will be prayed at 4:00 PM. Military Honors will be provided by the Bowlus American Legion Post #642. Caring for Donald and his family is the Shelley Funeral Chapel of Little Falls, MN.

Donald James Maciej was born on June 11, 1934 in Bowlus, MN to the late Leo, Sr. and Jennie (Sobiech) Maciej. He graduated from Little Falls High School and entered into service with the U.S. Army in 1954, serving overseas during the Korean Conflict. Donald was honorably discharged on November 22, 1955. He was united in marriage to Jeanette Jendro on November 25, 1958 at St. Edwards Catholic Church in Elmdale. Together they farmed on the family farm in Elmdale and raised their family. Donald farmed his entire life and was self-reliant in fixing his own machinery as well as making wood to heat his home. He cherished his time spent with his family and was known to blow on a harmonica now and then. Donald was active at his church and active in St. Edwards Choir. He was on the Elmdale Creamery Board and was also a member of CBI (Creamery Blending). Donald served as commander of

the Bowlus American Legion Post #642.

Donald is survived by his wife, Jeanette; sons, Duane (Teri) of Somerset, WI and Pat (Ann) of Holdingford, MN; daughter, Carol (Dan) Weber of Cold Spring, MN; grandsons, Zac of Swanville, MN, Adam (Sara) of Sartell, MN, Alex and friend Katie of Duluth, MN, Chaz Walls of Somerset, WI, and Miles Walls of Somerset; great-grandchildren, Ethan Walls, Madison Walls, and Landon Maciej; brothers, Alvin and friend, Doreen of Coon Rapids, MN, Harvey (Mary) of Wrenshall, MN, Jim (Ann Marie) of Annandale, MN, and Dennis and friend, Kathy of Elko, MN; sisters-in-law, Odele Maciej of Rice, MN, Collette Maciej of Zimmerman, MN, Jeanne Maciej of Austin, TX, and Chris Maciej of Elk River, MN.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Leo, Sr. and Jennie Maciej; and brothers, Ernie, Kenny, Bob, Lester, and Leo, Jr. (Antone) Maciej.

Cemetery Details

St. Edward's Catholic Cemetery

Elmdale, MN

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **22**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

St. Edward's Catholic Church - Elmdale
8550 MN-238
Bowlus, MN 56314

Visitation

AUG **23**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Edward's Catholic Church - Elmdale
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Mass of Christian Burial

AUG **23**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Lemieur Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Donald J. Maciej*



Lemieur Funeral Homes - August 20, 2021 at 12:21 PM



“ *Donald J. Maciej*

January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM



“ *38 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Lemieur Funeral Homes - August 20, 2021 at 12:19 PM

DM

“So sorry to hear of Don's passing, He was a good friend to me and to all. I enjoyed working with him on the reunions in the past and plan to carry on with them.”

"The Other Don Maciej"

Don Maciej - August 20, 2021 at 11:23 AM



“Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald J. Maciej.



August 20, 2021 at 10:52 AM

MW

“It was a privilege and pleasure to know Donny. My prayers to the family.



Marvin and shirley wensmann - August 19, 2021 at 05:31 PM

CS

“Cathy Richard Schwientek lit a candle in memory of Donald J. Maciej



Cathy Richard Schwientek - August 19, 2021 at 05:19 PM

AM

“ *The world suffered a great loss with Don's passing. He was truly one of the Lord's good and faithful servants. Don was a good example to his family, neighbors and friends by the way he lived his life. We love him so very much and are thankful for every year we had him in our lives. He will be greatly missed. Jim and Ann Marie Maciej*

AM Maciej - August 19, 2021 at 11:20 AM

GR

“ *Gene And Janet Retka lit a candle in memory of Donald J. Maciej*



Gene and Janet Retka - August 19, 2021 at 10:15 AM

FL

“ *always enjoyed a conversation with Donald, his words of wisdom and his humor. you will be missed. Florian*

florian - August 18, 2021 at 10:26 PM

CO

“ *Jeanette and family,
We were saddened to hear of Uncle Donnie's
passing. You are in our thoughts and prayers
during this difficult time. He always had that
contagious smile that will still make me smile
when I think of him.*

*Love,
Connie & Dave Gastecki
and family*



Connie - August 18, 2021 at 10:03 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for
the family of Donald J. Maciej.*



August 18, 2021 at 09:35 PM