



Donald E. Schave

February 11, 1940 - July 17, 2022

Donald E. Schave, 82 year old resident of Avon, MN, formerly of Sartell, MN, passed away on Sunday, July 17, 2022 at the St. Cloud Hospital. A Gathering of family and friends is scheduled from 3 PM to 7 PM on Thursday, July 21, 2022 at Shelley Funeral Chapel in Little Falls, MN.

Donald Earl Schave was born on February 11, 1940 in St. Cloud, MN to the late Walter, Sr. and Mary (Scherer) Schave. He served with the U.S. Army and was honorably discharged. Donald was united in marriage to Jomaree Mueller on April 11, 1972. Donald worked as a crane operator at the Sartell Paper Mill until retiring in 2004. After retirement, he still kept busy doing janitorial work as well as all the household work that needed to be done. Donald was a real handyman, capable of fixing most things. Donald and Jomaree also ran "Little Shaver's Daycare" out of their home for 20 plus years. He was a long time volunteer with the Sartell Fire Department, and a member of the St. Stephen's American Legion Post #221. Donald enjoyed flying airplanes and also was an avid outdoorsman. In his earlier years, he was often hunting and fishing. He took his family on many camping trips around the country. Donald enjoyed keeping track of the Minnesota Twins and occasionally making the trip to the ballpark to watch a game.

Donald is survived by his children, Michelle (Jason) Diamon of Merrifield, MN, Carrie (Randy) Paggen of St. Stephen, MN, David (Angi) Schave of Sauk

Rapids, MN, and Jon Schave of Holdingford, MN; sister, Marie McKenzie of Sauk Rapids, MN; 10 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Walter, Jr. (Wally); sister, Marla; wife, Jomaree; and son, Thomas.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

1100 13th Ave NE
Little Falls, MN 56345

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JUL 21. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

LeMieur Funeral Home of Little Falls
214 2nd Street SE
Little Falls, MN

Tribute Wall



“ *Donald E. Schave*

January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM



“ *Peggy Virnig Mnich lit a candle in memory of Donald E. Schave*



Peggy Virnig Mnich - August 23, 2022 at 10:57 PM



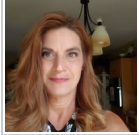
“ *I just now found out about your father, Donald, and shared the news with my siblings. I am so very sorry. Please accept our sincere condolences. My parents, Leo and Erna Virnig, were very close with your parents, and they were also Thomas' godparents. I fondly remember visiting your parents in Sartell whenever my parents and I were in town while I was young.*

Peggy Virnig Mnich - August 23, 2022 at 10:56 PM



“ *Dennis Schave here. Donny and I were first cousins. My Dad, Herman, was the brother of Donny's Dad. We shared an early childhood together. He was four years younger than me. Our lives took different directions, but I thought of him often. My sincere condolences to you. Christ is our strength.*

Dennis Schave - July 22, 2022 at 07:28 AM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Debbie Patton - July 20, 2022 at 02:54 PM



“ Don was such a funny man! We have so many memories with him at Legacy Place!



Legacy Place - July 20, 2022 at 02:04 PM



“ Legacy Place purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Donald E. Schave.



Legacy Place - July 20, 2022 at 01:52 PM



“ Serenity Village Staff purchased the Blue Caribbe an Bouquet for the family of Donald E. Schave.



Serenity Village Staff - July 20, 2022 at 11:25 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald E. Schave.*



July 18, 2022 at 07:24 PM



“ *So, so many great memories growing up next uncle Donny. He was awesome, generous with Christmas presents, snowmobile rides, and trips to Perry's. Truly a wonderful man!*

LoriJo Schave Turner - July 18, 2022 at 07:23 PM



Thank you for the kind words LoriJo. He will be missed.

Michelle Diamon - July 19, 2022 at 04:50 PM