

Joe Medek

March 18, 1949 - May 3, 2013

Joe J. Medek 64 year-old resident of Pierz, MN passed away Friday, May 3, 2013 at his home in Pierz, MN. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 A.M. on Monday, May 6, 2013 at St. Rita's Catholic Church in Hillman, MN with Father Gregg Poser officiating. Burial will take place in the Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery north of Little Falls, MN. Friends may call 4-8 P.M. on Sunday and from 9:30-10:30 A.M. on Monday at St. Rita's Catholic Church in Hillman, MN. Parish prayers will be held at 7 P.M. on Sunday at the Church. A celebration of life gathering will be held at the Center Valley Saw Mill immediately following the interment on Monday. Funeral arrangements are with the Shelley-Virnig Funeral Chapel in Pierz, MN.

Joseph James Medek was born on March 18, 1949 in Little Falls, MN to the late Edward and Gertrude (Tretter) Medek. He spent his early childhood days in North Dakota where his parents worked for a crop farmer. They later moved back to Minnesota and after some time bought and ran the Center Valley Store and Sawmill. Joe spent his early years helping at the family mill. In 1969 Joe was drafted and served his country in the Vietnam War. He was united in marriage to Carol Polasek on May 4, 1974 at St. Stanislaus Catholic Church in Sobieski, MN. The couple resided in rural Pierz where they raised their children. Joe always had a part in the Sawmill and when Eddie could no longer run it he took it over. He had several jobs through out the years. His most recent was at IWCO and the Pierz Post Office. Joe's faith was truly tested over the past year with his illness. He was always up beat and positive

even when he was hurting inside. Joe enjoyed spending time with his family, especially evenings on the deck with Carol, creating inventions with the boys, and watching ball games with his daughter. He also loved taking the grandchildren for rides on the four-wheeler and tractor. Some of his favorite pass times were sawing logs, hunting, fishing, or just kicking back, relaxing with a cold one. He was a member of St. Rita's Catholic Church in Hillman, MN.

Grateful for sharing his life are his wife, Carol Medek of Pierz, MN; sons, Craig (Jessy) Medek of Royalton, MN, Brad (Kelly) Medek of Pierz, MN; daughter, Kelly (fiancé Patrick Stangl) Medek of Pierz, MN; grandchildren, Will, Sarah, Grace, Laura, Zack, Leo, Owen, Aidan, and one on the way; brother, Larry (Nancy) Medek of Pierz, MN; and sister, Cheryl (Les) Hughes of St. Cloud, MN.

Joe was preceded in death by his parents, Edward and Gertrude Medek. In Lieu of Flowers Memorials Preferred to: Hope Lodge in Minneapolis, MN or Coborn's Cancer Center in St. Cloud, MN.

Cemetery Details

Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery

15550 Highway 115
Little Falls, MN

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 5. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

St. Rita's Catholic Church
16691 371st Avenue
Hillman, MN

Visitation

MAY 6. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

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Service

MAY 6. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Lemieur Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Joe Medek*



Lemieur Funeral Homes - May 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Joe Medek*

January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM



“ *Condolences from the Medek's in South Milwaukee, Wisconsin.*

Roger Strom

ps. Cheryl, you may remember singing at our wedding in South Milwaukee

May 1979. I married Teresa Medek, Burt and Caroline's daughter.

Roger Strom - May 05, 2013 at 04:06 PM

CA

“ Carrie lit a candle in memory of Joe Medek



Carrie - May 04, 2013 at 10:07 AM

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“ It has been many years since I last saw Joe, but when I think of him, I remember MANY childhood trips to Center Valley Store with my parents, concertina music, orange pop, games at the kitchen table and a fish hook in the cheek at 37 Acres on the 4th of July. The latter resulted in a trip to the emergency room after our dads made a valiant and painful effort to remove it with an old pliers. Joe, Cheryl, Larry, Eddie and Gertie were always great hosts and we always had a good time when we were together. May your good memories of Joe console you now.

Yvonne Newman Mariotti

Yvonne Newman - May 04, 2013 at 09:59 AM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Joe Medek .

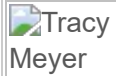


May 04, 2013 at 07:40 AM

JS

“ "Prayers and much love to you and the family."

Julia Sletto - May 04, 2013 at 07:17 AM



“ Thinking of you guys....sending prayers & much love.

Tracy Meyer - May 03, 2013 at 10:54 PM



“ Thinking of you, thoughts and prayers to your family



Peggy Ann - May 03, 2013 at 08:31 PM



“ LeRoy & Peggy Hoheisel sent a virtual gift in memory of Joe Medek



LeRoy & Peggy Hoheisel - May 03, 2013 at 05:28 PM



Our thoughts and prayers are with you all!,

LeRoy & Peggy - May 03, 2013 at 05:31 PM