



Melvin Rickhoff

July 19, 1918 - March 13, 2014

Melvin F. Rickhoff, 95 year old resident of Hillman, MN passed away Thursday, March 13, 2014, at Elim Home, in Milaca, MN. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 am on Saturday, March 15, 2014 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Hillman, MN with Pastor Jean Megorden officiating. Burial will be at Lone Pine Cemetery in Morrill, MN. Visitation will be from 10-11 am on Saturday at the church.

Melvin Frederick Rickhoff was born on July 19, 1918 on the family farm near Rice, Minnesota to the late Bill and Sybil (Wischnewski) Rickhoff. He was united in marriage to Ethel Larson on November 29, 1941. The couple farmed southeast of Pierz, until Melvin lost his arm in 1944. After the accident, they moved to Fridley, MN. Melvin was a parts runner and tow truck operator for Swanberg and Schefee Garage. Following his retirement from Swanberg and Schefee in 1977, the couple moved to the Hillman area. Melvin loved his Allis-Chalmers tractor, and used it to plow many gardens in the metro area. He enjoyed making toy tractors using PVC pipe, and playing the drums in a polka band.

Melvin is survived by daughters, Evone Zych of Milaca, MN; and Karen (Arnold) Kurtz of Milaca, MN; sons, Bill (Penny) Rickhoff of Ft. Mill, SC; and Gene Rickhoff of Hillman, MN; sister, Cathy (Bill) Holroyd of Foley, MN; 9 grandchildren, 20 great grandchildren, and 3 great-great grandchildren. He is preceded in death by wife, Ethel; sons, John and Glen Rickhoff; son-in-law, Dennis Zych; grandson, Jay Kurtz; and brother, Damon Rickhoff.

Casketbearers will be Dennis Hoskins, Craig Kurtz, Tim Zych, Todd Zych, Mitchell Zych, and Ryan Zych.

Cemetery Details

Lone Pine Cemetery

330th Avenue and Nature Road
Morrill, MN

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 15. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Immanuel Lutheran Church - Hillman, MN
36055 213th St
Hillman, MN 56338

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Melvin Rickhoff*

January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM



“ *Mel will be missed. I have known him all of my adult life and he never let any task get the better of him. He really loved his tractors! Our thoughts and prayers are with him and the rest of the family. Our sincerest sympathies, Rod & Deanna O'Hotto*

Rod O'Hotto - March 13, 2014 at 08:06 PM