



Raymond P. DeMarre

February 17, 1966 - September 2, 2015

Raymond DeMarre, 49 year old resident of Little Falls, MN, passed away on Wednesday, September 2, 2015 at his residence. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 AM on Saturday, September 5, 2015 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Little Falls. Burial will be at St. Mary's Parish Cemetery in Little Falls. Visitation will be from 4 PM to 8 PM on Friday and from 9 AM to 10 AM on Saturday at Shelley Funeral Chapel in Little Falls. A Rosary will be prayed at 4:30 pm and a Parish Prayer Service will be at 7 pm on Friday at the funeral chapel.

Raymond Paul DeMarre was born on February 17, 1966 in St. Paul, Minnesota to Edward and the late Joan (Grau) DeMarre. He was employed at Grede Foundries in St. Cloud for 20 years. Ray was united in marriage to Vivian Jendro on June 22, 1990 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Little Falls, Minnesota, where the couple made their home. Ray quickly became one with his new family and was very active in raising their children and grandchildren. He was young at heart, always playing with the children, and was known for being their "Peter Pan". Ray was a kind, selfless man, always putting his family first. He loved collecting the school reward and Coke points for his grandchildren, so their class could have a pizza party. He enjoyed playing cards, camping, cooking and baking for family gatherings, the Minnesota Vikings, and singing karaoke and playing the guitar with close family and friends in numerous bands.

Ray is survived by wife, Vivian DeMarre of Little Falls, MN; son, Ray (Brooke Borders) DeMarre, Jr. of Little Falls, MN; daughter, Kim (Josh Hart) DeMarre of Little Falls, MN; step-sons, Shawn (Jodi) Jendro of Little Falls, MN; Aaron (Stephanie Grunst) Jendro of Little Falls, MN; step-daughter, Lisa (Troy Langer) Jendro of Little Falls, MN; father, Edward (Shiela) DeMarre of Staples, MN; brothers, Jerry DeMarre of Williston, ND; and Eddie (Heather Beck) DeMarre of Verndale, MN; sisters, Anita (Vern Mudgett) DeMarre of South St. Paul, MN; and Melody (Lee Enright) DeMarre of St. Paul, MN; step-sisters, Tammy (Greg) Carman of Royalton, MN, and Teresa (Todd) Gabel of Staples, MN; 7 grandchildren, Noah Jendro, MacKenzie Jendro, Amber Girtz, Preston Girtz, Isaiah Jendro, Lucas Jendro and Harper Hart.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Joan DeMarre.

Honorary pallbearers will be Todd Gabel, John Weber, Rueben Weber, Ronnie Weber, Bobby Spandyard, and Chester Zerwas.

Pallbearers will be Shawn Jendro, Noah Jendro, Ray DeMarre, Jr., Aaron Jendro, Preston Girtz, and Josh Hart.

Cemetery Details

St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery - Little Falls

14637 138th Street
Little Falls, MN 56345

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 4. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

Visitation

SEP 5. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

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

Service

SEP 5. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church - Little Falls
305 4th Street SE
Little Falls, MN

Tribute Wall



“ *Lemieur Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Raymond P. DeMarre*



Lemieur Funeral Homes - September 04, 2015 at 09:31 AM

BR

Many hugs Vivian! You were his life and he was yours! Hold his memory in your heart as you have been!

Barbara Jean Rekowski - June 05, 2016 at 05:29 AM



Man still seems un real. Summer makes me think of him sooo much. Just wanna get his but down here n go camping. If only for one more poker game 😊😊

Tamara Carman - June 07, 2016 at 02:01 PM



“ *Raymond P. DeMarre*

January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM

JK

“ *Jessica Kummet lit a candle in memory of Raymond P. DeMarre*



Jessica Kummet - September 05, 2015 at 10:12 AM

CH

“ *Cathy Hebig lit a candle in memory of Raymond P. DeMarre*



Cathy Hebig - September 04, 2015 at 08:14 PM

Mary Kopperud

“ *Although I didn't personally know the two of you, Vivian and Ray...the two of you touched my sons, Brandon Colebank, heart. He has always talked extremely highly of the two of you and considering the fact that Brandon does not let people into his heart very easily, that meant the world to me. I knew the two of you were down to earth, good people with big hearts by the way you let my son into your lives. I'm only sorry I didn't get to know Ray personally but from the way Brandon talked of him, he was an amazing man who touched many, many hearts and will be busy being a guardian angel to many people. I'm very sorry for your loss, Vivian. You guys have raised a great son and I'm happy that our sons, Brandon and Ray are friends and roommates. Please know that I have great respect for all of you and I will help with anything I am able to.*

Mary Kopperud - September 04, 2015 at 03:20 PM



“ *James Knight lit a candle in memory of Raymond P. DeMarre*



James Knight - September 03, 2015 at 07:34 PM

DS

“ *I remember the first time I met Ray, on your Wedding Day. I was so impressed at his singing voice, and the way he sang to you! What a Sweet man!*



Doris Sorensen - September 03, 2015 at 06:53 PM

JK

“ *Jessica Kummet lit a candle in memory of Raymond P. DeMarre*



jessica kummet - September 03, 2015 at 05:54 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Raymond P. DeMarre.*



September 03, 2015 at 11:08 AM

KH

“ *Vivian my thoughts and prayers will be with you and your family.*

Karen Haaland - September 03, 2015 at 07:15 AM



“ *The first memory that always pops up is when I did NOT lock the lock on the garage.
Love and miss you. MWAHS*

Tamara Carman - September 03, 2015 at 05:44 AM



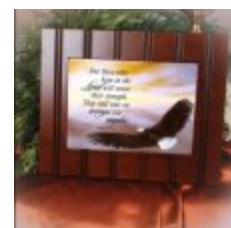
“ *My heart is broken. I hear his laugh play over and over. I have never referenced him less than my Brother. Step does not mean less than. I am sorrowful that I did not get to say goodbye. Staying distant was out of respect. I know the DeMarre in me, and know not one wants to feel pittied or empathized for. Our blood is proud and we dont want loved ones to remember us in a weak state. Raymond Paul I love you and I hope you sing in the angel choir, and dance with our loved ones in heaven. I will miss you more than any words can be spoken. I will miss hearing "Hey Tam Tam, in that deep growly soft spoken voice I will miss hearing you sing, most of all I will miss your unforgettable laugh. So strong and distinct. I truly do love you and you will always be my Brother.*



Tamara Carman - September 03, 2015 at 03:52 AM



“ *Jay Enright purchased the Eagle Wings Frame for the family of Raymond P. DeMarre.*



Jay Enright - September 02, 2015 at 11:54 PM

SD

“ Ray you have been a part of my life for the last 35 years and I have always loved and did what I could for all of you. You made me feel like I belonged right from the beginning actually all of you did. You accepted me and my girls as the family we were. I know no one could replace your mom, but I hope I passed as a step-mom . You were the Kindest Most soft hearted kid and then man, never having anything to say bad about anyone else and if you heard something bad from one of us you would say -"oh come on now -it's not that bad" You our son was the glue that kept everyone together at holidays and events. you have an AMAZING wife that also accepted our family as one. I will ALWAYS love and miss you Ray and your dad lost soooooo much more than his first born child today, he lost his best friend confidante and musical buddy. He is missing you terribly already. R.I.P. RAY RAY - enjoy being with your mom and grandmas and grandpas and other relatives. Maybe you and Larry and Dicky can hook up and play some beautiful music. I can tell you right now, my mom will be right there listening to you :-) well without getting too mushy let me say one more time. WE LOVED YOU MORE THAN YOU PROBABLY KNEW AND WE LOVE YOU STILL. Rest in peace our precious son.



Shiela DeMarre - September 02, 2015 at 09:40 PM



Beautiful mommy.

Tamara Carman - September 03, 2015 at 03:48 AM

DM

“ I'm going to miss his Contagious Booming Laugh and His Big Bearlike Hugs!!! Ray gave the best heartfelt Hugs ever! He will be missed by everyone who was lucky enough to have known him! To Me He was another one of my extended family Brothers!!!

Dawn M.McCarthy - September 02, 2015 at 08:49 PM

NJ

“ Ray we are going to miss you. Make sure you set up a good game of cards with Mary!! Thanks for all of the fun and exciting card games.
Our prayers are with you and all of your family Vivian. Love you all.

Nancy Jendro - September 02, 2015 at 07:29 AM

JE

“ So sorry for your loss Vivian and family. Thoughts and prayers for you at this most difficult time.

Jeanne - September 02, 2015 at 06:43 AM

WW

Our heartfelt Sympathy to Vivian, children and grandchild. Thinking of you! Rich and Wendy Waltman

Wendy Waltman - September 02, 2015 at 07:01 AM

RO

I'm truly going to miss you Ray, you always made it fun to be around you. My thoughts, prayers and love go out to the whole family. Rest in peace bro !!

Ron - September 02, 2015 at 09:05 PM