



Raymond "Ray" Loidolt

June 30, 1924 - July 20, 2022

Raymond "Ray" Loidolt, 98 year old resident of St. Otto's Care Center in Little Falls, MN, formerly of Pierz, MN, passed away Wednesday, July 20, 2022, at St. Gabriel's Hospital in Little Falls, MN. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Tuesday, July 26, 2022, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Pierz, MN, at 11:00 A.M., with Father Lauren Virnig officiating. Visitation will be on Monday, July 25, 2022, at the Shelley Funeral Chapel in Pierz, MN, from 4:00-7:00 P.M., and again on Tuesday at the Shelley Funeral Chapel, from 9:30-10:30 A.M. A rosary will be said by the Pierz American Legion at 3:30 P.M. on Monday, prior to the visitation. Burial will be in the St. Joseph's parish cemetery. Caring for Ray and his family is the Shelley Funeral Chapel of Pierz.

Raymond L. Loidolt was born on June 30, 1924, in Little Falls, MN, Morrison County, MN, to the late John C. and Marie (Nespore) Loidolt. He grew up in the Pierz area, and attended school in District 127, graduating in 1938. On May 28, 1945, he entered the United States Marine Corps in Minneapolis, MN. He served during the war in China with a rank of Private First Class. Ray received an honorable discharge on September 23, 1946, in Great Lakes, IL. He was united in marriage to Bernadine A. Athman on September 11, 1951, at St. John's Catholic Church in Lastrup, MN. He attended Dunwoody Institute in Minneapolis, MN. Ray worked for 30 years as a mechanic for Allis Chalmers, and drove school bus for the Pierz Healy High School for 14 years. He was a

member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Pierz, and recently a member at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Little Falls. Ray was a life member of the Pierz American Legion Post.

Ray is survived by his loving wife of 70 years, Bernadine; daughters and sons, Karen (Ron) Grittner of Pierz, MN, Gladys Konrad of Brainerd, MN, Janet Banick of Brainerd, MN, Marvin (Shannon) Loidolt of Deerwood, MN, and Joseph (Kathy) Loidolt of Monument, CO; sister-in-law, Betty Loidolt; 16 grandchildren, and 21 great-grandchildren, with 2 more on the way.

Ray was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Alvin, Donald, Norman, Rolland, and Leander; sisters, Hildegard Kapsner, and Erma Paulson; grandson, Shawn Grittner; granddaughter, Alicia Loidolt; and son-in-law, Todd Banick.

Cemetery Details

St. Joseph's Cemetery

Pierz, MN

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 25. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

LeMieur Funeral Home of Pierz
202 Main St. South
Pierz, MN

Visitation

JUL 26. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

LeMieur Funeral Home of Pierz
202 Main St. South
Pierz, MN

Mass of Christian Burial

JUL 26. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Joseph's Catholic Church
68 North Main Street
Pierz, MN

Tribute Wall



“ *Lemieur Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Raymond "Ray" Loidolt*



Lemieur Funeral Homes - July 24, 2022 at 11:53 AM



“ *Raymond "Ray" Loidolt*

January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM



“ *19 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Lemieur Funeral Homes - July 25, 2022 at 11:57 AM



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Lemieur Funeral Homes - July 25, 2022 at 09:48 AM



“ 59 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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HP

“ I called Ray, "our Twins buddy" or "Trouble". He came to visit my brother and I every night after supper at St. Ottos. Our main topic was always about the game of baseball....win or lose....it kept us connected 😊. He added his own unique sense of humor to all his visits 😂. I can hear his voice yet today and know that he's watching the game from HEAVEN. 🙏 God Bless his family as they endure this journey. I was happy to know him 💖 Helen and Steve Pfeffer

Helen Pfeffer - July 24, 2022 at 09:06 AM

TM

“ Uncle Ray was a gift to know and share time with. The memories will be with us forever. From reunions, family celebrations , Brewer/Twin games to visits to our home for Memorial Day we will be always be grateful for his presence. So many laughs , hard to count. We admired his work for his community. A real patriot , serving our country. We will miss him. Love to the family . Prayers to you , thoughts too. Farwell Uncle Ray RIP, We'll see you down the road.



Terry Moore - July 23, 2022 at 04:34 PM

LH

“ Ray and Bernadine Loidolt were wonderful neighbors! To the Henry and Dolores PREIMESBERGER Family ! Our families grew up together! My deepest sympathy to Karen, Marvin, Gladys, Janet and Joseph! Bruce and I always shared our venison sausage with Ray and Bernadine and they were always so appreciative and tickled pink that we dropped some off for them! My love and prayers to the whole family! Lois Preimesberger Heigl

Lois Preimesberger Heigl - July 23, 2022 at 09:49 AM

RK

“ Love and sympathy to the family. Your Father's friendship is very special to me and will never be forgotten. He now is one of my Guardian Angels With Love-Robin

Robin Kurowski - July 23, 2022 at 07:27 AM

MS

“ Mark E Savage lit a candle in memory of Raymond "Ray" Loidolt



Mark E Savage - July 22, 2022 at 11:56 PM



“ 8 files added to the album Life Tributes



Lemieux Funeral Homes - July 22, 2022 at 05:43 PM

CL

“ Charlie And Dianne Ledbetter lit a candle in memory of Raymond "Ray" Loidolt



Charlie and Dianne Ledbetter - July 22, 2022 at 02:08 PM

KK

“ Kim Keller lit a candle in memory of Raymond "Ray" Loidolt



Kim Keller - July 21, 2022 at 10:03 PM

KK

RIP "cookie"! 😭💔 Bernie and her family are in my prayers! He always tried to be serious with me but I always got him to laugh

Kim Keller - July 21, 2022 at 10:05 PM

KK

RIP "COOKIE" 😭💔 Bernie and her family are in my prayers.. He always tried to be serious with me but I always got him to laugh

Kim Keller - July 21, 2022 at 10:07 PM

KT

“ Sending prayers to his family and friends



Kelly Voltin Thomsen - July 21, 2022 at 03:53 PM



“ *Our sympathy goes to Bernie and the entire family. He will always be a real favorite of ours. Only he could ever remember how we were so distantly related! If it came up and we'd ask again, he'd say something like, "Oh, gol damn", smile and figure it out. His quick step, sharp memory and humor, plus their close relationship always made for such great visits. You could never give them more than they gave back. He'd often recount his near drowning incident as a boy and wonder why he was spared. We for sure knew why-- you could tell he touched a lot of people yet was so humble. He will truly be missed.*

Bonnie Garry Loidolt - July 21, 2022 at 01:29 PM



“ *Our sympathy. Great memories, as was a great Pierz Legion member. Mel & Nettie*

mel & nettie buessler - July 21, 2022 at 08:50 AM