



Donald Hertig

January 4, 1935 - January 4, 2008

Niagara - Donald E. Hertig, 73, of Niagara, died Friday, January 4, 2008 at Maryhill Manor. He was born on Nov. 1, 1934 in Dunbar, WI the son of the late Earl and Elsie (Kehl) Hertig. Don received the Babe Ruth Baseball award while in high school. He graduated from Pembine High School and served in the U.S. Army. He worked at the Niagara Paper Mill as an instrument man for many years, retiring in 1997

He married Marilyn Leonard on June 18, 1955 at the Union Protestant Church in Niagara. She preceded him in death on July 19, 2002.

Don was a volunteer for the Niagara Rescue Squad/Niagara Area Emergency Unit for over forty years. He also was a volunteer for the Niagara Historical Society. He served on the Marinette County Board of Supervisors and was a First Aid Instructor. Don was a Boy Scout Leader and received the Order of the Arrow Award for his dedication. He was also a member of the Riverside United Methodist Church. In 2006 Don was given the honor of being named "Mr. Niagara".

Don enjoyed wood carving and was a member of the Wood Bee Carvers. He also enjoyed flower gardening and square dancing. Don liked to travel and enjoyed his visits to Arizona, Colorado, Montana, Alaska, and Calgary, Canada.

He is survived by two daughters Denise (Dan) Duke of Sobieski, WI and Dani (Mike) Poquette of Iron Mountain, one brother Harold (Sharon) Hertig of Gladstone, five grandchildren Casey and Josh Poquette and Aaron, Colin,

and Ian Duke, and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by one son David Hertig on Feb. 13, 2007 and one sister-in-law Carol (Russell) Sauld.

Visitation will be Wed. Jan. 9, from 4-7 pm at the Riverside United Methodist Church. Funeral services will be Wed. at 7pm at the church. Rev. Patricia Herdt will officiate. Burial will be in the Niagara Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be members of the Niagara Area Emergency Unit.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial will be established.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Donald E. Hertig online at www.tondinfuneralhome.com.

The family has entrusted the Tondin-Ross & Freeman Funeral Home of Iron Mountain with the funeral arrangements.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Dearest Hertig Family,*

My name is Donald Hertig...middle name Lewis. As I do occassionally, I check my name online and was saddened to find and hear of your loss. It is unfortunate that I could not have known Donald (I go by "Don") but with his name, I would believe that he was a wonderful man.

God bless you richly,

Donald L. Hertig

Donald L. Hertig - Vienna, VA - Share the Same Name - July 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you as you remember and celebrate a life well-lived! It certainly sounds like Mr. Donald Hertig used his time and talents well on this earth! Mr. Hertig loved and cherished his family and was a proud father and grandfather. This was SO very evident in even brief encounters with this man--he beamed when he talked of his family!!! And rightly so! He clearly found the delightful balance between work, helping and serving others and recreational pleasure with his hobbies and travel. What a tower of strength and faith Mr. Hertig was as he handled with love, grace, devotion and dignity his wife, Marilyn's illness and passing in 2002, his son, Donald's passing in 2007 and his own illness these past 8 months. What a legacy and inspiration to those whose lives he touched! Mr. Hertig will be deeply missed and we are saddened to not have had him with us longer in this earthly life. Truly now "he has fought the good fight, kept the faith, and finished the race". He is indeed at peace. We will carry his spirit of love and grace with us , remember his endearing smile and this dear man. Peace, love and blessings, Karen and Jeff Rafn

Karen and Jeff Rafn - January 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM