



Frederick D. Chapman

March 19, 1937 - October 29, 2013

Frederick D. Chapman, 76, of Niagara, died Tuesday October 29, 2013 at Maryhill Manor in Niagara. He was born on March 19, 1937 in Niagara, WI, the son of Harry Chapman and Elizabeth (LaRoche) Chapman.

Fred moved to Illinois to pursue the florist business in the 1960's. He owned and operated flower shops in Bensonville and Belvidere. In 1979 he "moved back home" to Niagara. Fred enjoyed cooking, raising plants in his greenhouse, and decorating his house for the holidays, especially Christmas. He was well known for his beautiful Christmas wreaths.

He is survived by three children: Rickie Chapman of Green Bay, Paul'david Chapman of Niagara, and Vickie Hoffart of Kennewick, Washington; two brothers Eugene (Verna) Chapman of Niagara, Michael "Mickey" Chapman of Milwaukee; six grandchildren Jennifer (Yolanda) Young, Kyle Hatelak, Carrie Chapman, Ashley (Joe) Holm, Torrie Gregor, and Lissa Gregor, four great-grandchildren Bailey Hoffart, Ella Holm, Vivian Holm, and Brandi Chapman; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; four brothers: Sid Chapman, Lawrence Chapman, Bob Chapman, and David Chapman; and three sisters: Leona VanGinkel, Hazel Jacobson, and Theresa Cretton.

Memorial services will be on Friday, Nov. 15 at 11:00 am at the Niagara Township Hall. . Rev. James Danielson will officiate. A celebration of Fred's life will follow at the Niagara Township Hall.

Condolences to the family of Frederick D. Chapman can be expressed online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.comThe Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements.

Tribute Wall

JS

“ SO SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT FRED. WE WERE FRIENDS A LONG TIME AGO. I AM BETTY GUSSETS SISTER JOANNE GUSSET, SCHREINER. HAVENT SEEN HIM IN YEARS BUT STILL HAVE A LOT OF MEMORIES.

JOANNE SCHREINER - November 10, 2013 at 04:20 PM

VH

Thanks Joanne.

Vickie Hoffart - December 12, 2013 at 09:06 PM

DH

“ Years ago I lived across from Fred. He was very nice to me and my two boys. They loved going over to his house and they also loved the pond in his floor. He made us a beautiful center piece for Christmas one year and bears made out pinecones. I am sorry that we lost touch with him and we are sorry for your loss. Dawn, Jacob and Joey

Dawn Haynes - November 10, 2013 at 02:31 PM

VH

Thanks Dawn. Dad enjoyed your family so much!

Vickie Hoffart - December 12, 2013 at 09:06 PM

PF

“ Paula Fromm lit a candle in memory of Frederick D. Chapman



Paula Fromm - November 02, 2013 at 11:30 AM

VH

Thank you.

Vickie Hoffart - November 06, 2013 at 06:16 PM

RS

“ *Renee Swanson lit a candle in memory of Frederick D. Chapman*



Renee Swanson - November 01, 2013 at 11:46 AM

RS

Although I did not know your father very well, he was quite a character! I will never forget the fish pond in the floor of his home...that was my first hint that he was not your every-day, run-of-the-mill person :)

Renee Swanson - November 01, 2013 at 11:48 AM

VH

Renee, you're right. He certainly wasn't average; he was extraordinary in so many ways. :)

Vickie Hoffart - November 06, 2013 at 06:11 PM

AF

“ Vickie and family -

Our family has so many fond memories of Fred - his hospitality (the parties, egg hunts, Christmas decor and much more), his generosity and sense of humor. What I remember most is the way he loved his grandchildren. Our own children considered him an honorary grandpa for years.

He was a good man and a Niagara icon.

Peace to Fred, and peace to his family.

Love,

Audrey, Jeff and Family

Audrey Fredrick - November 01, 2013 at 10:24 AM

VH

Understandably, I've been thinking a lot about the past, memories we've made and shared with many friends and family members over the years. He loved having kids around, and showing off his place - especially when it was decorated for Christmas. He often asked about you guys, and when we were in Green Bay last year, he remembered Jenna. Ironically, the first stroke happened soon after that, and then everything changed...

Vickie Hoffart - November 06, 2013 at 06:15 PM

TJ

“ Trin & Jodi lit a candle in memory of Frederick D. Chapman



Trin & Jodi - November 01, 2013 at 09:13 AM



Thank you.

Vickie Hoffart - November 06, 2013 at 06:15 PM