



Richard A. Meade Obituary

August 1, 1933 - November 10, 2013

Richard Allen Meade lost his battle with dementia on November 10, 2013.

Richard was born on August 1, 1933 in Springfield, MA to Harold and Margaret (DeNucci) Meade. After graduating from East Haven High School in Connecticut, Richard enlisted in the US Army in 1954 which he served for 2 years.

He met and married the love of his life, Mary (Mazzacane) Meade, on August 31, 1957 and together they had 3 daughters. Richard was a drummer his entire life, playing in many bands throughout the years and teaching his skills to young musicians. Golfing was his second love, which he shared with many friends and family. He was thrilled to pass down his passion of the game to his daughters, son in law and grandson.

After losing his wife in 2004 he moved to Menomonie and lived with his youngest daughter Kim and her family. Other interests include woodworking, music, sports, and tinkering in the garage.

He is survived by a sister Patricia (Al) Poturnicki of Duxbury MA, brother Ralph (Angela) Meade of West Haven CT, Stepmother Josephine (Pellegrino) Meade of East Haven CT, daughter Margaret (Steve) Tilson of Torrington CT, Ellen Meade of Woodridge IL, and Kimberly (Jim) Gounaikis of Menomonie, WI. 6 grandchildren: Lisa (Mike) Hogan, Jeremie (Bonnie) Tilson, Ryan (Brandi) Herath, Jason Herath, Lexi Gounaikis and Zachary Gounaikis.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Harold and Margaret, brother Harold, and his wife Mary.

Visitation will be at Olson Funeral Home, Menomonie, Sunday November 17, 2013 at 11:00 am followed by a memorial service at 12:30, with Father Tom Krieg officiating. Military honors will be conducted by Menomonie Veterans Honor Guard.

Our family would like to thank Comforts of Home, Menomonie and Azura Memory Care, Eau Claire for all of their loving care during the past 2 years.

Comments



“ I am sorry to hear of Richard's passing, but I know life was very difficult for him. I met him at Comforts of Home where my mother, Helen was also a resident. Richard was a handful, to say the least, but what a sense of humor, and what a performer! His choice of career does not surprise me--I can picture him performing. He brought something to the more staid community of Menomonie, for certain. I wish I could have known him and heard his dunning when he was healthy.

Cynthia

Cynthia Welch - Menomonie, WI - friend - November 19, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Forever in my heart

Ellen Meade - Woodbridge , IL - Daughter - November 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Dad was of the kindest and friendliest men I have ever had the privilege and honor of meeting and conversing with. He always made me happy to see him and gave good advise and encouragement on days when I felt so alone and down.

I will always cherish his smile and wit.. his constant joking around and yet the sincerity of his words of wisdom. He was a Giver of Hope and Happiness.. I hope someday to impart to another the gifts he shared with me.

Miss you Dad, see you on that Great Day!!

Vincent Cherry

Vincent Cherry, Sr - Madison, WI - Friend of Family - November 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Kim, Jim and Family,

I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Lisa Brama Olson - Brooklyn Park, MN - Friend - November 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Kim, so sorry to hear about your dad. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Kurt and Debbie Bertelson - Sartell, MN - Neighbor - November 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Just want you to know I am thinking of you all. I only remember meeting your dad a few times, he was a great guy. Sending much love and hugs to Kim and Ellen. Psalm 34:18 The Lord is near the broken hearted and saves those that are crushed in spirit. My prayer for you is that God will grant you Peace during this difficult time. Know that I love you, Nancy

Nancy Ohvall - Menomonie, WI - Friend - November 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Ellen, Kim and Peggy,
My sincerest sympathy with the loss of your Dad. I have such fond memories of all us kids growing up together on Goff Road and your Dad being one of the biggest kids on the street. There were fun times swimming at your house (fire calls and all) ball games in the street, endless bowling stories our parents had to tell after their Wednesday nights league and none of us will ever forget Mr. Meade's beautiful lawn. On a more serious note, your Dad's passing just saddens me because it brings to a close a time and a memory that has always been held very dear by all of us that grew up together. Your Dad was loved and will be missed by all those who know him. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.
Cris xoxoxo

Cristina Orsini Harris - Wethersfield, CT - family friend - November 13, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ So sorry about your dad, he will be missed. Thinking about all of you at this difficult time. Love to all of you. -Andie

Andrea Scarinzi - Las Vegas, NV - Niece - November 13, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Kim, Jim and family, so very sorry to hear about your dad, I will always remember you standing behind him in Palatine doing "calling all cars". Brings a smile to my face every time. My love to you, Ann Frisinger

Ann Frisinger - Middleton, WI - friend of Kims - November 12, 2013 at 12:00 AM