



Donald Nitschke

May 4, 1934 - March 9, 2025

Donald Nitschke, 90, of Eldorado was called home to heaven on Sunday, March 9, 2025 at Northview Assisted Living in North Fond du Lac.

Don was born on May 4, 1934, the son of Harvey and Edna (Henke) Nitschke. He was a graduate of Rosendale High School. While growing up, he worked on his father's farm, as a milk delivery driver and at Kroger's grocery. On October 20, 1956, he married Betty Lueptow.

Don served as an artilleryman in the Army from 1957 to 1959. During that time, he also was a member of the Army's marksmanship team and was honorably discharged. He worked at Giddings and Lewis from November 8, 1966 to December 31, 1998 and retired from there.

His many hobbies included mowing the lawn, watching the birds at the bird feeders, cutting wood, camping, working out in his shop, helping "his greatest neighbor Dan" on the Isaac's farm and spending time with family and friends.

Don is survived by daughters Lori (Chris) Cooper, Keri Nitschke and Stacy (Tanya) Nitschke; grandchildren Kaitlyn (Scott) Moyle, Morgan Grube, Brandon Grube, Lana (Cody) Wilson, Steve Cooper, Sahara Geissler-Tangney, Sabrina Geissler-Tangney and Samantha Tangney; and eight great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his sister, Arlene Potratz, brother, Roger (Jan) Nitschke and sisters-in-law, Marlene Wittchow and Jill (Rick) Smet.

Don was preceded in death by his wife, Betty; sister, Dorothy Achterberg; brothers-in-law Terry "Bear" Wittchow, Gordon Wolfe, Carl Potratz and Ivan Achterberg and sister-in-law Yvonne Wolfe.

Visitation: The family will greet family and friends from 12:00 – 2:00 PM, on Sunday, March 23, 2025, at St. John's Lutheran Church -Nekimi, 491 Old Oregon Street Road, Oshkosh. Memorial Service will be at 2:00 PM with Pastor John Krueger officiating. Inurnment to follow at St. John's Cemetery. Cremation has taken place.

Special thanks to the Northview and St. Croix Hospice for the care and compassion shown to Don and his family.

In lieu of flowers, please send memorial donations to St. John's Lutheran, Nekimi.

Cemetery Details

St. John's Lutheran - Nekimi

491 Old Oregon Road
Oshkosh, WI 54902

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 23. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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Service

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