



## Homer VanMeter

April 21, 1928 - October 30, 2015

Homer VanMeter, 87, of Easton passed away at 6:20 pm October 30, 2015 at the Mason City Area Nursing Home. He was born April 21, 1928 the son of Murray and Edna (Smith) VanMeter. He Married Donna Van Etten November 29, 1949, she survives.

Homer is survived by his two daughters Peggy (Charles) Dierker and Patti (Greg) Ratliff, all of Easton; nine grandchildren, fourteen great-grandchildren; two sisters, two brothers, and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, one son, one grandson and four brothers.

Homer was a member of the Easton Baptist Church and the Teamsters Union. He was a retired driver for National-by-Products.

Services for Homer VanMeter will be held on Saturday, November 7, 2015 at 12:00 with visitation two hours prior 10am to 12pm at Hurley Funeral Home in Mason City. Burial will follow at Easton Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Easton BLS and Fire District, Mason City Area Nursing Home Activity Fund or donor's choice. Online condolences may be left for the family at [www.hurleyfh.com](http://www.hurleyfh.com).

Hurley Funeral Home Mason City is in charge of arrangements.



# Cemetery Details

## Easton Cemetery

Easton, IL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 7. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Hurley Funeral Home - Mason City  
603 East Chestnut  
Mason City, IL 62664  
(217) 482-5959  
<https://www.hurleyfh.com/>

## Funeral

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Homer VanMeter*

October 12, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ *Don't know if you got my first message, but I'm thinking of you. Will miss you at nursing home. Take care of self, we must get together soon. Shirley Patterson & Family*

**Shirley Patterson** - November 07, 2015 at 09:03 AM



“ *Love always - John & Debbie, Jon & family, Joe & family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Homer VanMeter.*



**Love always - John & Debbie, Jon & family, Joe & family** -  
November 04, 2015 at 12:12 PM



“ *Though we can't physically be with the family we want you to know we are with you mentally. You are in our prayers at this time of grieving as we grieve the loss of our family member. May God give you peace at this time. We have many fond memories of Uncle Homer, and he will be missed.*

*Love always,  
Scott, Colleen, and family*

**Scott and Colleen Van Meter** - November 03, 2015 at 01:05 PM

DA

“ Donna, Peg, Pat and families - Steve and I are so sorry to hear of Homer's passing. Donna and Peg - I will miss seeing you at the nursing home. I know he will be dearly missed but he is at peace now and no longer in any discomfort. I have to work on Saturday so I will not be able to come to the visitation, but you have my sincere sympathy.

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**Denise Arnold** - November 03, 2015 at 09:56 AM

EB

“ Sorry for the loss in the Van Meter Family , I knew the Family for years , Grew up with some of them and went to school with Linda , and Delbert . Lived as neighbor to Ann , Their Mother was the best Lady I ever knew . May God Bless The Family in this Time !Thoughts and Prayer !

*Ed Baiter & All the Baiter Family*

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**Ed Baiter** - November 03, 2015 at 09:32 AM

MC

“ My most enjoyable memories of Homer are deer hunting at Bob Choate's. It was all new to me but he never made me feel inferior. He gave me welcome advice and helped me drag in my deers. As I would drive into my spot, I knew he was standing in there somewhere "under the Old Sycamore tree". It somehow was comforting to know he was close by. I didn't have to summon help if I got one down. By the time I would get it field dressed, he and Harold would be coming down the bluff to help me drag it up the hill. My next favorite memory was Homer, Donna Jean, Rosalee and Harold, all sitting around the kitchen table. If those 4 were together, you could bet there was laughter and tales to listen to. One of my most memorable pieces of advice about pigs came from one of these bull sessions. My grandchildren have never met him but anytime they have been out with the baby pigs and come in complaining that soap and water won't take the smell off their skin, I start with.. "well, Homer says if you'll go dig up some fresh dirt, rub it real good into your skin-like it was soap and water, it will for sure take that smell away". They look at me like I'm crazy but sooner or later one of them will try it and for sure come in and say "hey, it works, Homer was right". Thus never meeting this wonderful soul, a thread of him will live on in our family. As I'm just starting to teach granddaughters & grandsons to deer hunt, I'll be passing more of Homer, Clifford and Wayne wisdom down through the generations.



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Mary Lynn Choate - November 03, 2015 at 07:40 AM

JH

“ Donna, Peggy, Patti- grandkids and great grandkids- my heart goes out to you all- may Homer rest in peace now in a whole body and free. Hugs!!

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Janice STanley Hickle - November 02, 2015 at 06:45 PM

Joy  
Fischer

“ *Donna I'm so sorry for your loss..Homer was a great man. We had many "dates" I'll miss him!*



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**Joy Fischer** - November 02, 2015 at 11:53 AM