



Loren R. Meeker

November 21, 1926 - January 5, 2020

Loren R. Meeker, 93, of Manito, passed away on January 5, 2020, at Mason City Area Nursing Home. Loren was born on November 21, 1926, in rural Manito, to Samuel E. and Edith Whitaker Meeker. He married Mary Katheryn Quick on July 24, 1949, and she preceded him in death in 2012. He was also preceded in death by his parents, one son Darrel in 2005, one step granddaughter Rebekah Imig, and two brothers Clyde Meeker and Lyle Meeker. He is survived by one son Dale (Marcia) Meeker of Manito, one daughter, Lou Ann (Rick) Imig of Clinton, and one “adopted daughter” Mary Vawter of Bloomington.

Loren has eight grandchildren; Sherry (Mark) Richardson, Mindy (Adam) Wendling, Daniel (Amanda) Meeker, Tammy (Bernie) Vogel, Christina (Gerome) Wiley, Shannon (Richard) Green, Loren (Jessica) Meeker, and Jared (Beth) Meeker; three step-grandchildren, Sarah (Nathan) Wheeler, Katherine Imig, and Andrew (Elisabeth) Imig; 26 great grandchildren, five great-great grandchildren; one brother Paul (Donna) Meeker and a brother-in-law Marvin (Peggy) Quick of Manito.

Loren was a member of the Manito Community United Methodist Church, Mason Co Farm Bureau and served on the Meadow Lawn Cemetery Board for many years. He farmed in the Manito area his entire life, first with his brothers, Paul and Clyde, and his father, then later with his sons, Dale and Darrel. He shared memories of working with the draft horses, the first tractor they purchased, and how nice it was to have a tractor with a cab! He was very

proud of his home farm being named a Centennial Farm in 2007.

He was a proud Manito Tiger and loved watching several generations of his family play sports, as Forman Braves, Midwest Central Raiders, and Tremont Turks. He was inducted into the IBCA Hall of Fame in 2009 and recognized at a home basketball game as a super fan.

Loren had his routine of “opening” the coffee shop in the mornings and then spending time in the back of Manito Hardware with friends. He always drove around in his truck to check on the farming progress in the area.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 A.M. Wednesday, January 8, 2020 at the Manito United Methodist Church. Pastor Steve Oaks will officiate.

Visitation will be from 9:00 A.M. until the time of service at 11:00 A.M. Burial will be in Meadow Lawn Cemetery, Manito, Illinois.

Memorials may be made to the Midwest Central Booster Club or to Mason City Area Nursing Home. The family wishes to thank the staff at Mason City Area Nursing Home for the wonderful care they gave Loren while he was a resident and for the support they gave to the family. To leave an online condolence go to www.hurleyfh.com. Maas-Hurley Funeral Home Manito assisted the family with arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Meadow Lawn Cemetery

801 E. Meadow Lawn St.
Manito, IL 61546

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 8. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Manito Community Methodist Church - Manito
109 S. Washington
Manito, IL 61546
(309) 968-6226

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Loren R. Meeker

October 12, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ Dear Family of Loren,
I had the privilege of getting to know Loren when I was his caregiver for a brief time through my employment with Kyle's Care at Home! He enjoyed visiting, and I recall that strips of bacon were on his breakfast menu each day. I know some of the family as I live in Tremont, and he loved to talk about his family. May God grant you His comfort and His peace in the days ahead.
Sincerely,
Julie Largent, former caregiver

Julie Largent - January 11, 2020 at 06:15 PM



“ Dale & family,

The Earl Graff family has been so blessed to know your father and have him as an awesome neighbor and fellow farmer when our dad Earl farmed.

Bet they are catching up on old Manito farm memories in heaven!

Hugs, Avis Graff Maslovitz

Avis Graff Maslovitz - January 10, 2020 at 09:29 PM

LH

“ *Larry And Mary Hundt lit a candle in memory of Loren R. Meeker*



Larry and Mary Hundt - January 10, 2020 at 10:37 AM

JO

“ *Sorry for your loss our thoughts and prayers are with the entire family.*

Jack & Darla Olson - January 09, 2020 at 07:22 PM

BB

“ *Our family always loved visiting with cousins Loren and Mary and their family. I believe we got our wonderful rat terrier from them. Loren will be greatly missed. Thoughts, prayers, and hugs for the family.*

Budd and Faye (Meeker) Bragg - January 09, 2020 at 07:25 AM

LH

“ *Marvin & Peggy sorry to hear about your loss. Sympathy and prayers to you and all of the family.
With great sympathy,
Paul & Lynnette Beal Hamilton*

Lynnette Hamilton - January 07, 2020 at 05:20 AM

CC

“ Cheryl Emmons Quick Cockerham lit a candle
in memory of Loren R. Meeker



Cheryl Emmons Quick Cockerham - January 07, 2020 at 03:05 AM

SS

“ Steve And Kim Singley lit a candle in memory
of Loren R. Meeker



Steve and Kim Singley - January 06, 2020 at 03:10 PM