



## Eldon Day

October 9, 1946 - October 18, 2010

Visitation for Eldon Earl Day, 64, of Limestone, will be from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at the Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home, west Kankakee, where funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday. The Rev. Steve Hugo will officiate. Burial will be in Limestone Township Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the donor's choice. He died Monday (Oct. 18, 2010) at his residence. Mr. Day worked at the Joliet Ammunition Plant and then worked for more than 30 years at Valspar Corp. in various positions and capacities. He was born Oct. 9, 1946, in Dix, the son of Claude E. and Leota M. VanGilder Day. He served in the U.S. Army in Germany and Vietnam, during the TET Offensive. He was a specialist E5 with the 184th Combat Engineer Battalion and received a number of medals and awards. He loved riding and tinkering with his Suzuki motorcycle, and he was always helping Rose with their yard and garden. He could fix almost anything and was always giving family, friends and neighbors a helping hand. Eldon was a loving, caring, gentle husband, father, grandpa, brother and friend. He was easygoing and always had a smile and kind word for everyone. He loved his family dearly, and he was loved by all. His wife's brother, sisters and special friend, Zandra, loved him like a brother. Surviving are his wife, the former Rose Byrnes, of Limestone, whom he married Aug. 16, 1968, in Kankakee; two daughters and sons-in-law, Felicia and Jerry Goodrich, of Donovan, Heather and Brandon Johnson, of Decatur; two grandchildren, Kyle and Katlyn Goodrich; one sister and brother-in-law, Sharon and Cal Kreft, of Georgia; one brother-in-law and sister-in-law,

Larry and Linda Byrnes, of Momence; four sisters-in-law and two brothers-in-law, Mary Day, of Bradley, Charlene Day, and Betty and Bob Baron, all of Kankakee, and Hollie and Sam Robrer, of St. Anne; and several nieces and nephews. Deceased are one daughter, Carla Ann Day; his parents; two brothers, Claude Day and David Day; and two sisters, Irene Suddeth and Brenda Marshall.

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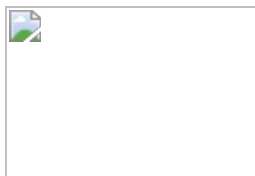
“ I remember Eldon from high school. He was always a really nice guy- we were very sorry to just hear of his death. You have our sympathy  
Classmates, Ron and Vivian Lucas Heidbreder

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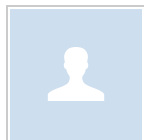


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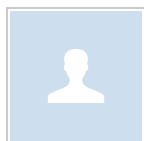
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“ We have tears of sadness knowing we i;½have lost a very sweet man. Eldon was a wonderful person and neighbor. Our fondest memories of Eldon was his thoughtfulness and helping his neighbors out. Our prayers and thoughts are with Rose and his family.##imported-begin##Steve & Jenny Boeckmann##imported-end##

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“ So sorry for your loss. i;½He definitely put up a good fight. My thoughts and prayers are will you all at this difficult time.##imported-begin##Candy Krefft##imported-end##

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“ I'm glad I knew Eldon. And though we weren't close, we were friends. I'll miss him.##imported-begin##Cal Krefft##imported-end##

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“ I am very sorry for your loss. Eldon was a wonderful person. I have known him and his family since I was born. He was loved by all that knew him and will be greatly missed. You could not have known a sweeter person. The whole Day family is in our thoughts and prayers and as always in our hearts. We send our love to all.##imported-begin##Angel Ziegler##imported-end##

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“ I am so sorry for you lose. My prayer and thoughts are with you as you go through this tough time in your life. <br><br>Melissa##imported-begin##Melissa schmidtz(Vangilder)##imported-end##

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“ God saw you getting tired and a cure was not to be. So He put His arms around you and whispered "come to me." With tearful eyes they watched you, and saw you pass away. Although they loved you dearly, they could not make you stay. A golden heart stopped beating, hardworking hands at rest. God broke our hearts to prove to us, He only takes the best. May God keep Eldon's soul and comfort you Rose, and your family and friends, in this time of sorrow. In deepest sympathy, Dennis##imported-begin##Dennis O'Reilly##imported-end##

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“ Sorry to learn of Eldon's passing. We were in Sunday School and high school together. My sympathy.<br><br>##imported-begin##walt townsend##imported-end##

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“ Eldon and his family are in my thoughts and prayers.  
i; ½##imported-begin##roy bowling##imported-end##

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“ June 21, 1965, the day that Bill and Eldon first met as they boarded a train at Kankakee to travel to Chicago where they joined the Army. Meeting again while both worked at the Joliet Army Ammunition Plant and then the wives met. i; ½This was followed by a wonderful friendship as we watched each others family grow and grow up.  
<br><br><br><br>Eldon was a very positive influence in our lives, always happy, with a positive outlook on life and warm hearted whenever we met. He gave much and asked for little. He left this world in a better way, leaving a loving wife, two wonderfull daughters and grand children. i; ½Our only regret is that we did not have more time to share and nuture our friendship.<br><br><br><br>May God's angels watch over his family.##imported-begin##William & Peggy Brough##imported-end##

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“ Our thoughts have been with the Day family at this time of loss. We have fond memories of all of you. I remember the first call I made to your home and subsequent times that Donna and I visited when you showed us your garden. Please know that we share in your sorrow. Love, Floyd and Donna Stradley

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“ i am so sorry for your loss if there is anything i can do please let me know

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If I knew it would be the last time that I'd see you fall asleep, I would tuck you in more tightly and pray the Lord your soul to keep. If I knew it would be the last time that I see you walk out the door, I would give you a hug and kiss and call you back for one more.  
  
If I knew it would be the last time I'd hear your voice lifted up in praise, I would videotape each action and word, so I could play them back day after day. If I knew it would be the last time, I could spare an extra minute or two, to stop and say that “I love you” instead of assuming that you know I do. If I knew it would be the last time I would be there to share your day, well, I'm sure you'll have so many more, so I can let this one slip away. For surely there's always tomorrow to make up for an oversight, and we always get a second chance to make everything all right. There will always be another day to say our “loves you's” and certainly there's another chance to say our “Anything I can do's”. But just in case I might be wrong, and today is all we get, I'd like to say how much I love you and hope we never forget. Tomorrow is not promised to anyone, young and old alike, and today may be the last chance you get to hold your loved one tight.  
  
So, if you're waiting for tomorrow, why not do it today? For if tomorrow never comes, you surely regret the day, that you didn't take that extra time for a smile, a hug or kiss and you were too busy to grant someone, what turned out to be their one last wish. So hold your loved ones close today, whisper in their ear, tell them how much you love them, and that you'll always hold them dear.  
  
Take the time to say “I'm sorry”, “Please forgive me”, “Thank you” or “It's OK”. And if tomorrow never comes, you'll have no regret about today!  
  
  
  
  
##imported-begin##Bonnie & Jack Kohl##imported-end##

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“ *Our Prayers and thoughts are with all of you for the loss of a great man and uncle. We hope that he finds peace as he is welcomed back home.* **##imported-begin##Curtis Krefft##imported-end##**

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