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FUNERAL HOMES



Dale W. Greenwald

May 3, 1939 - June 23, 2017

It is with great sadness that the family of Dale William Greenwald of Brooklyn Park, Minnesota, announces his passing at the age of 78 on Friday, June 23, 2017.

Dale was born May 3, 1939, at home in Jordan, Minnesota. He was the youngest of six children born to George (Pat) and Bertha (nee Dubbe) Greenwald. His family moved to a small farm near Brunswick, Minnesota and later to Mora – the place that Dale would forever call home even after moving to the Twin Cities and later living in Brooklyn Park.

After graduating from Mora High School in 1957, Dale moved to the Twin Cities and joined his big brother Marvin as a janitor at Cass Screw Machine Products in late 1957. On December 6, 1958, Dale married Louisa Nelson, also a 1957 graduate of Mora High School – they've been married for 58 years and theirs is a marriage and partnership made in heaven. Dale and Louisa were blessed with two children: Debra (Debbie) and Rex. The family of four settled in Robbinsdale until 1977 when they moved to Brooklyn Center. In 1990, Dale and Louisa moved to their current home in Brooklyn Park.

In the late '70s, Dale, Marvin and Lorraine Wise purchased Cass Screw Machine Products from the Cass family. After Lorraine's passing and Marvin's retirement in 1995, Dale became President of the Company. Dale remained at Cass Screw until his retirement in 2015. Cass Screw was a very important part of Dale's life -- he loved his Cass family.

Dale became involved in many professional organizations and was an active member and past president for two terms of the Minnesota Precision Manufacturing Association and a member and past president of the Brooklyn Center Chamber of Commerce. In 1989, Dale was awarded a certificate by then Governor Rudy Perpich from the Minnesota Council of Quality. In 1990, he was named “Small Business Person of the Year” by the Chamber. And in 1996, Dale was awarded the State of Minnesota’s Spirit of Minnesota Award.

From an early age, Dale was an avid motorcycle rider and was instrumental in advancing the sport of off-road motorcycling as a founder of District 23 ARMCA for the American Motorcyclist Association (AMA) for the State of Minnesota. He became the District 23 AMA Congressman representing the State of Minnesota at the AMA headquarters in Ohio each fall and continued to be honored by being named AMA Congressman Emeritus for District 23.

Dale gave very generously of his time and resources to many organizations and people in need. He was very involved in the community and was interested in politics. Dale, along with his wife, were sponsors of the recent amphitheater built at the Brooklyn Center City Hall park and, for many years, organizers, sponsors and volunteers of the Heritage Festival and Earle Brown Days, with Dale being named Grand Marshall for the 30th anniversary parade, including a proclamation by the Brooklyn Center City Council declaring June 12, 2012 to be Dale Greenwald Day.

Dale loved the family farm in Mora (it was his happy place). His weekend routine consisted of mowing the grass for much of the day followed by putsing around in the barn and playing his favorite songs on the guitar. He has always loved music (especially country and gospel music). In mid-life, he learned to play the guitar and loved to share a song, or two with whomever would listen. It didn’t matter if he had an audience of one or more – Dale loved singing and sing-a-longs were one of Dale’s and his family’s favorite activities. Dale will be sadly missed but the song that was Dale’s life will continue to play on for all who know and love him.

Dale is survived by his loving wife Louisa; children, Debbie (Randy) Windsperger and Rex (Teresa) Greenwald; grand-children, Gina (Anthony) Benincasa, Nicholas (Lindy) Greenwald, Leah (Randy) Cota and Chelsea (Michael) Mohs; great-grandchildren: Avery Benincasa, Ruby and Pearl Greenwald, Chase, Colt and Lily Cota, and Molly and Claire Mohs; and his sisters- and brothers-in-law and many nieces, nephews, cousins and family and friends too numerous to mention.

He is preceded in death by his parents George and Bertha (nee Dubbe) Greenwald, his father- and mother-in-law, Hilding G. and Elma (nee Jerrow) Nelson, his brothers Marvin and Glen Greenwald and sisters Helen Eitel, Verna (Pearl) Karnitz and Faune Haag, and his sisters-in-law: Dorothy Greenwald, Iona Greenwald and brothers-in-law, Hilb Eitel and Elroy Karnitz, his grand-parents, aunts and uncles and great-grand-daughter Alex Rose Benincasa.

Visitation: 4-7 p.m. on Thursday, June 29, 2017, at Evans Nordby, 6000 Brooklyn Boulevard, Brooklyn Center, Minnesota 55429.

Service: 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 5, 2017 at Peace Lutheran Church, 4512 France Avenue North, Robbinsdale, Minnesota 55422.

A private interment at Oakwood Cemetery in Mora will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials to be made to the Alzheimer's Association, Peace Lutheran Church, American Cancer Society, and American Heart Association.

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