



## Donald Dillehay

August 17, 1925 - September 3, 2015

Donald M. Dillehay, age 90, of Harris, passed away Thursday, September 3, 2015, at Hawkeye Care Center, Spirit Lake. He was born August 17, 1925, in rural Harris to Merwin and Gladys (Morfitt) Dillehay.

Donald graduated from Ocheyedan High School in 1943. He enlisted to serve his country in the United States Army and was honorably discharged in 1945. Donald was united in marriage to Betty Lowry on March 16, 1949, in Ocheyedan, Iowa. His first love was his family, but a close second was being a farmer. He truly answered God's call; he, together with his wife, Betty and son, Mark took great pride in caring for the land together and shared a strong bond. He had a quick wit and everyone loved his jokes and his easygoing attitude. Don and Betty loved spending time together. They enjoyed many trips to Florida and Colorado, attending ANY farm show and the Clay County Fair together for 60 years. They took great pride in being at all of their granddaughter's activities and ball games, whether home or away you could count on them to be the first ones to arrive. A major highlight for him was his trip with the SW Minnesota Honor Flight in 2010. Don was a member of the Harris United Methodist Church and the American Legion Post in Ocheyedan.

Donnie is survived by his wife of 66 years, Betty Dillehay of Harris; one son, Mark Dillehay and his wife, Julie of Lake Park; five granddaughters, Katie (Shannon) Serck, Cari (Jarrod) Wallace, Laura (Nick) Fiebig, Leah (Brett)

Tigges and Valerie (Harry) Riesberg; six great-grandchildren, Lindsay Serck, Allison, Tyler, and Aubree Wallace, Mikaela Tigges, and Trevor Riesberg; sisters, Marjorie Miquelon of Colorado, and Marilyn (Douglas) Jones of Spearfish, SD. He is preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Dale and Raymond; and brother-in-law John Miquelon.

A memorial service will be held at 10:30 A.M. Wednesday, September 9, 2015, at the United Methodist Church in Harris. Burial will be at Union Cemetery in Harris. Visitation will be held Tuesday, from 2:00 P.M. until 7:00 P.M., with the family present from 5:00 P.M. until 7:00 P.M. at the Schuchert-Lentz Funeral Home.

# Tribute Wall

IM

“ Hug and prayers to Betty, Mark, Julie and family. ...

Illene Slykhuis Maxwell - September 09, 2015 at 12:31 PM

CS

“ Donald Dillehay

Chad Schuchert - September 06, 2015 at 07:06 PM

BR

“ Donald Dillehay

Bill and Marge Ruml - September 06, 2015 at 06:03 PM

JN

“ I transported Mr. Dillehay a few times for Rides Transportation. He seemed to enjoy life no matter the circumstance. It was a honor to meet him. My condolences to the Dillehay family.

Jody Naberhuis - September 06, 2015 at 05:46 PM

DA

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you Mark, Julie and your family...

Debbie Ahrenstorff - September 06, 2015 at 08:52 AM

LH

“ Don was a great person who loved his family so very much. He will be missed by all who knew him and shared his life. My thoughts and prayers are with his loved ones at this time.

Laura Hanna

Laura Hanna - September 05, 2015 at 09:47 AM

LT

“ Don was a joy to care for. He was one in a million and will be greatly missed by all of our staff. Love and prayers to the Dillehay family.

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**Laura Truslow** - September 04, 2015 at 06:45 PM

KS

“ All my thoughts and prayers are with Donnies families.

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**karen morfitt sackville** - September 04, 2015 at 05:14 PM

DW

“ My Sympathy & Prayers to the Donnie Dillehay Family.

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**Deb Wilcox** - September 04, 2015 at 01:18 PM

WJ

“ Don was a great person to know and enjoy talking to too.

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**Wayne Johnson** - September 04, 2015 at 12:24 PM