



## Marvin Mettler

August 28, 1939 - March 9, 2013

Marvin Lee Mettler, 73, of Arnolds Park, IA, passed away peacefully and went to heaven on Saturday, March 9th. He was born in Huron, SD, on August 28, 1939 to the late Reinhold and Dorothy Mettler.

They lived and farmed in that area until 1954 when the family bought a dairy farm in Nevis, MN. He spent his younger years helping on the family farm. In 1957, he enlisted in the Army where he served our country in Korea and Huntsville, AL.

He moved to Omaha after his discharge from the military where he worked in a packing house. He relocated to IA to work in construction. Marvin owned Mettler Construction in Arnolds Park where he built and remodeled countless homes and businesses in the Lakes Area. He joined Roc Management in 1987 where he thoroughly enjoyed his employment and thought of his co-workers as an extended family.

He is survived by his son Terry (April) Mettler of Taylor, MI; stepson Jim (Leann) Dake of Chanhassen, MN; stepdaughter Sharon (Trent) Eriksen of Hutchinson, MN; two grandsons, Adam & Austin Dake and three granddaughters, Krista DeVoll, Rachel & Anna Eriksen; one great grandson, Brenden Mettler; sisters Deloris (Don) Annis, Jessie (Roy) Bebensee, Dorein (Brian) Johnson and Debra Mettler; nieces, nephews, cousins and many

friends.

Marvin was preceded in death by his wife of 40 years Karen (Bascom) Mettler, his parents and two brothers, Albert & Gerald Mettler.

Please join family and friends at Schuchert Funeral Home at 2317 32nd St. in Spirit Lake for a memorial visitation on Friday, March 15th from 4 to 7 p.m. and at the funeral at First Presbyterian Church, 3501 Hill Ave. in Spirit Lake on Saturday, March 16th at 11:00 a.m. In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting that memorial donations be given in Marvin's name.

The Schuchert Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

# Tribute Wall

JH

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to Jim and his family. Marv was a very friendly person. He always had a big smile on his face and had time to stop and say hi when he seen you. He will be greatly missed,rest in peace.

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**Judie (Bice) Hovinga** - March 16, 2013 at 08:51 AM

JJ

“ Marvin was a super nice cousin who I enjoyed seeing at family gatherings. He will surely be missed.

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**Jan (Quiram) Jacobsen** - March 15, 2013 at 11:45 AM

LC

“ I didn't know Marvin well. I knew him as a quiet, gentle man whose heart was in the right place. I knew him through his brother Jerry and my husband Don Christians. My sympathy to his family. I wish you peace and comfort in the days to come. God be with you.

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**Lois Christians** - March 13, 2013 at 04:16 PM

DD

“ i didnt know MARV long but enough to know he was a special man to me along with the whole crew at the spencer store. we all enjoyed him . well miss his smile n kind words always. he was one of the good guys! R.I.P our dear friend.

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**danice dotson** - March 12, 2013 at 06:34 PM

AG

“ I, too, will always remember the family gatherings celebrating birthdays at your farm in the Wolsey, South Dakota area. I still wear a scar from climbing an apple tree on the farm there--remember the night it happened! I also recall the surprise of Marvin coming to our wedding in Wolsey in his Army uniform on June 13, 1959, as he was on leave--what a wonderful surprise it was! Our deepest sympathy to all of you. Please come see us if you get out our way in the Seattle area.

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**Ardelle (Shirley) Mettler Gulbraa** - March 12, 2013 at 02:16 PM

JR

“ I will always remember the Family gatherings in the Wolsey, SD area when we were kids. There was always ice cream, cake and games. It was a great time in the 1940's. I will miss you.

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**Jerry Ransom** - March 11, 2013 at 04:12 PM

SC

“ His great attitude, bright smile and great conversation will be missed by all of us at Plumb Supply Company our thought and prayers are with his family.

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**Staff of Plumb Supply Company** - March 11, 2013 at 01:01 PM

DR

“ What a great neighbor, so kind and gentle to everyone. So enjoyed visiting him while we fished on the dock. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

*Doug & Joy Roetzel*

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**Doug & Joy Roetzel** - March 11, 2013 at 10:05 AM

SC

“ *Marvin Mettler*

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**Sharon Caskey** - March 10, 2013 at 06:05 PM

JH

“ *What a gentle man ! Jerry and I always enjoyed him and his bright smile.*

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**Jerry and Sally Haas** - March 10, 2013 at 04:00 PM

RN

“ *To Marvs family, I am so sorry for your loss. Marvin and his brother, Gerald, participated in countless remodels on my Koffee Kup Kafe. I know Marvin has missed Karen so much since her passing. As our Lord wraps his arms around Marvin, may you find comfort in the difficult days that lay ahead. God be with you.*

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**Rhonda Nelson** - March 10, 2013 at 02:40 PM

LB

“ *It was always a pleasure to talk to Marv, always positive about life, he will be missed by many, My thoughts and prayers for his family.*

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**Lon Noble/ Bomgaars** - March 09, 2013 at 08:42 PM

RC

“ *Marv will be greatly missed for his bright smiles and warm hugs. May he rest in peace and be united with his beloved wife, Karen. We love you Marv!*

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**Roxanne Christoffer** - March 09, 2013 at 02:23 PM