



Mr. Ervin Loel "Lefty" McDonald

July 20, 1930 - May 12, 2017

Ervin Loel "Lefty" McDonald, 86, of Plant City, Florida, born in Lakewood, Illinois on July 20, 1930, entered into eternal rest on May 12, 2017. He was a member of Springhead United Methodist Church. He was a hard worker, and will be missed by many. He was preceded in death by his wife, Marilyn McDonald; daughter, Judy A. Brown; and parents, Leverette and Dorothy McDonald. He is survived by his wife, Donna Alderman McDonald; children, Dale Eugene McDonald (Jill), Larry Dean McDonald, Joyce A. Sumrell (Charles), Shelvie J. Hostetler (Roy), and Debra G. Johnson; step-children, Kathleen Hill, Melody Cundiff, Yvonne Cast (John), and Amy Milam (Gary); son-in-law, Greg Brown; sister, Rosemary Close; and many loving grandchildren, great-grandchildren, family, and friends. A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, May 27 at 11:00 A.M. at Hopewell Funeral Home, 6005 CR 39 S, Plant City. Private interment at Hopewell Memorial Gardens, Plant City. Expressions of condolence at www.HopewellFuneral.com.

Cemetery Details

Hopewell Memorial Gardens

6005 County Road 39 South
Plant City, FL 33567
(813) 737-3128
office@hopewellfuneral.com
<https://www.hopewellfuneral.com>

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

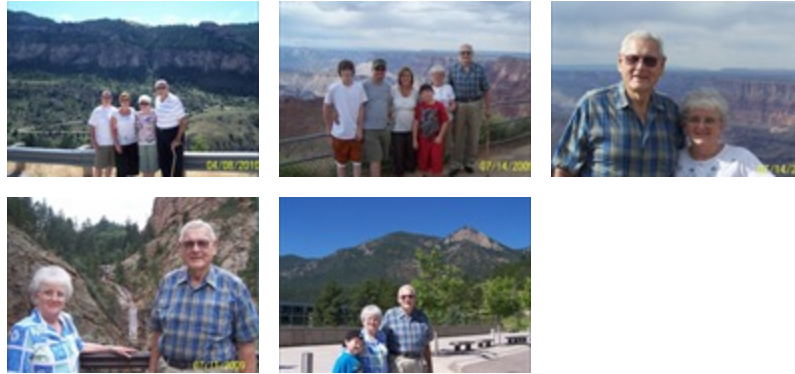
MAY 27. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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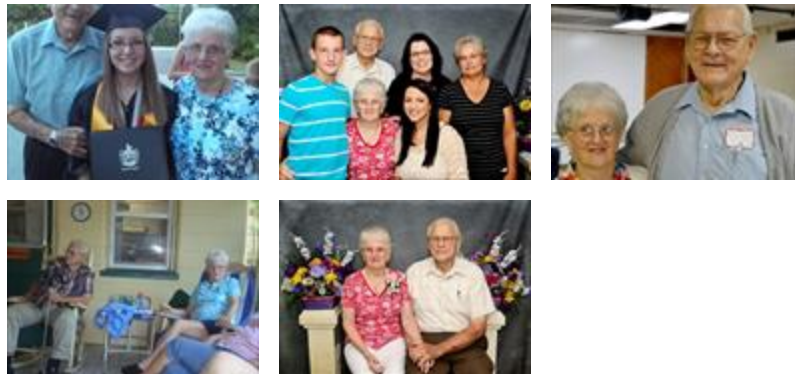
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Amy - May 25, 2017 at 11:13 PM



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Kathleen Reeser-Hill - May 25, 2017 at 10:10 PM

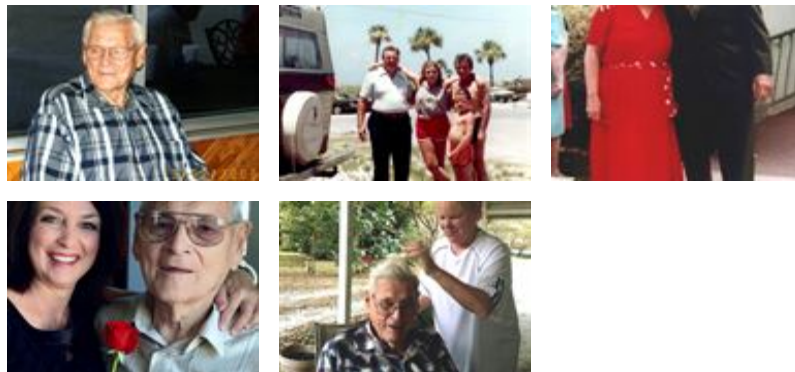
SS

“ *Mr. Lefty will be deeply missed by our family. He was an uplifter. Always had something to say nice about everybody. Gonna miss his jokes. We love you Mr. Lefty!!!*

Sarah Simonds - May 25, 2017 at 06:06 PM



“ 46 files added to the album Life Tributes



Hopewell Funeral Home - May 25, 2017 at 09:12 AM

DR

“ Dave & I want to extend our thoughts and prayers to all of you. Lefty was a real gentleman. He always had a smile even though he might not have felt the best at the time. Always had a funny joke ready (it was always a clean one). He will be missed by a lot of people. Love and prayers to all of you. The Reynolds family

Dave and Darline Reynolds - May 25, 2017 at 07:43 AM

SB

“ A great man and friend ,I will miss Lefty and that smile.Great man of God.r.i.p. my friend



sheila byrd - May 24, 2017 at 03:47 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. Ervin Loel "Lefty" McDonald.*



May 23, 2017 at 01:46 PM



“ *I am a cousin of Marilyn, Lefty's wife. I can remember him always having a smile and saying hello to me. It was such a long time ago. He was always a friendly guy when I would see him at my uncle and aunt's home in Wilmington. Sorry for your loss.*

We lived down the road at Rhodes Grocery store. My dad was Joe and my mother was Mary Rhodes.

Kate "Rhodes" Covey. Bradley, IL

KATHERINE L. COVEY - May 19, 2017 at 09:00 AM



“ *973n.700e.rd. Tower Hill,Il. This is my brother and when we had to walk two miles to school the snow would be so deep that Lefty would put me on his shoulders and carry me to school. I will sure miss the weekend phone calls.Love you, Lefty. Rosie.*

Rosie Cloe - May 18, 2017 at 01:08 PM



Mr. Lefty used to help us. He was always so wonderful. I am sorry for your loss.

Jane Poppell - May 18, 2017 at 04:32 PM

NT

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the entire McDonald/Reeser families. Lefty will be greatly missed and greatly remembered ! He was a wonderful person and a wonderful greeter with his big smile!

Donna we pray specially for you during this time of grief and lose, time is the healer of all thing but memories are forever and will help you thru.....

May God's love surround you and keep you, Nancy and Linda AKA (The Tweedy Twins)

Nancy Tweedy - May 18, 2017 at 10:33 AM

BG

“ Lefty was loved by so many and will be missed by everyone that knew and loved him. We shared so many laughs and stories over the years. I called him my "Maytag Man" for years. Every Sunday when I walk through the doors at Springhead UMC, I will see him sitting on the stool or standing by it to welcome everyone with a hug, a kiss and a bulletin. RIP Lefty! You have reached your eternal home that you worked for all these years. Always loved...never forgotten. Prayers for all the McDonald & Reeser families. ❤️ - Brenda Ray Grant

Brenda Ray Grant - May 18, 2017 at 08:10 AM

MC

“ Uncle Lefty was so special to me. I loved spending time in Florida with him. The year we lived down there he would always call me at least once a week to make sure we were ok. We enjoyed so many meals together. And I'll never forget the hugs. I love you to the moon and back. Enjoy being out of pain and rejoice in the the family reunion in Heaven. I love you and you will be greatly missed



Michele Cummins - May 18, 2017 at 07:55 AM

VG

“ Vonda /Ron Gainey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ervin Loel "Lefty" McDonald



Vonda /Ron Gainey - May 18, 2017 at 06:49 AM

 Angela Kloever-Williams

“ So many memories Of Uncle Lefty!! I guess I could say it was kind of a tradition that my momma passed down to us girls, but no matter what every time we seen him we would mess up his hair. Matter of fact when my mom and dad were there to see him last she messed it up just for me. Thinking of you all at this time and sending lots of love hugs and prayers. Love you all.



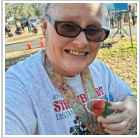
Angela Kloever-Williams - May 18, 2017 at 06:44 AM



“ KENT MCDONALD lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ervin Loel "Lefty" McDonald



KENT MCDONALD - May 18, 2017 at 05:25 AM



“ He will be missed and ill never forget the jokes he shared with me



Tamara Cundiff - May 17, 2017 at 10:53 PM



“ I remember every Sunday I would come to church id make my rounds and my name got changed to Love Bug. But the best memory I have about grandpa is it didn't matter what was going on every time id walk in the door I would get greeted with a hug and Grandpa would whisper in my ear the are peeps in the freezer so I would go get them and eat some and share some with him while watching jeopardy



Chasity Rademacher - May 17, 2017 at 09:33 PM

PE

“ Dear Donna and all of the McDonald family, near and far;
On behalf of everyone at Springhead United Methodist Church, I would like to express our most sincere sadness at the passing of Lefty McDonald. In this time of great sorrow, please know that you are in our thoughts and our prayers.

There is a great emptiness left by Left's passing, but I am certain that the strength of the love that you and your family share for each other and for Lefty will get you through this difficult time. May that love honor their memory and may you cherish the time you had together.

*Take comfort in the fact that Lefty is with God now. He lives on not only in our memories, but with our heavenly Father as well. Almighty God will grant you the peace and comfort of His presence
If there is anything you need during this difficult time, please do not hesitate to reach out to your church family for support. We are here for you, emotionally, spiritually, and physically.*

Your church family,

Patrick C. Elmore, Pastor

Springhead United Methodist Church, Plant City FL

Patrick Elmore - May 17, 2017 at 08:52 PM

MK

“ Mark & Tammy Kruchten lit a candle in
memory of Mr. Ervin Loel "Lefty" McDonald



Mark & Tammy Kruchten - May 17, 2017 at 08:44 PM