



Marvin E. Rodemich

March 4, 1941 - February 6, 2021

Marvin E. Rodemich, 79 years, of Columbia, IL, passed away on February 6, 2021 at St. Elizabeth Hospital, O'Fallon, IL. He was born March 4, 1941, in East St. Louis, IL, son of the late Walter, and Viola, nee Hofstetter, Rodemich. He was married to Ruth Ann, nee Stumpf, Rodemich, who survives him. They were married January 31, 1965, in New Hanover, IL.

For those who knew him, Marv was never a man of titles. Instead of listing all of Marv's accomplishments and committees served, we want to focus on the man Marv was. People gravitated towards him. He had a genuine smile, a pat on the back, a positive message for your day, a bit of sports trivia or a famous, warm Marvin hug. People loved Marv because he glowed with the light of Christ.

Marv wore many hats - a farmer, a greenhouse manager, a school bus driver, and a Sunday School teacher. But his favorite roles in life were that of Ruth Ann's husband, as Papa and as a Christian through and through. Marv and Ruth Ann started playing footsies in 1957 and built a family that stood strong on his broad shoulders. Marv loved being a Grandpa to Corey, Ryan, Allie and Maci. He loved watching their sports activities from the front row, always ready to give them a thumbs-up when their eyes connected. He also loved visiting with Ryan for smiles and hugs.

Marv's hobbies brought him great joy in life. He passed down his love of deer hunting to his son, Scott and his grandson, Corey. The highlight of every year was when he could be at "deer camp" with the guys at Buettner's cabin. He loved to fish with his buddies at Bissel and Reelfoot Lake. He was a true Cardinals fan. In later years he spent a lot of time playing Kloepper throughout the county and, oh yes, one year he was crowned the King of Kloepper!

Also, surviving are his daughter, Chris (Bill) Browne of Columbia, IL; daughter-in-law, Julie A. Rodemich of Columbia, IL; grandchildren, Corey Browne, Ryan Rodemich, Allison Rodemich, and Maci Browne; sister, Shirley (Arlen) Harres of Columbia, IL; sister-in-law,

Kathie (John) Harris of Houston, TX; brother-in-law, Glenn (Lisa) Stumpf of Columbia, IL, along with other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his son, Scott Rodemich.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, all services will be private. Interment will take place in the Evangelical St. Paul Cemetery, Columbia, IL.

In lieu of customary remembrances, the family requests with gratitude that memorial contributions be directed to: Christ Community Lutheran Church - General Fund, or Beverly Farm Foundation (Ryan Rodemich's residential community), 6301 Humbert Road, Godfrey, IL 62035. For more information, please access our website, <http://www.leesmanfuneralhome.com>. Lawlor Funeral Home, Columbia, IL, handled arrangements.

Cemetery

Evangelical St. Paul Cemetery

425 Beaird St.

Columbia, IL, 62236

Comments



“ I just saw that Mr. Rodemich passed away. As you know he was such a sweet man. When my 29 year old son was in Kindergarten, Mr. Rodemich was his bus driver. On the first or second day of school my son left his back pack on the bus. Mr. Rodemich came to our house to deliver it. That was just the beginning of his ongoing kindness.

I am so sorry to hear of your loss. I know Mr. Rodemich is definitely in heaven enjoying his eternal life.

Glenda Sexauer - February 20 at 06:38 PM



“ We Express our sympathy to you Ruth Ann and your entire family.
Willis & Doris Steiger

Willis & Doris Seiger - February 11 at 09:22 AM



“ I can't say enough about Marvin and the Rodemich family. When we moved to Columbia in 1975, he befriended our family without any questions. He introduced us to family, friends, and St. Paul UCC. He was a kind, gentle , caring man, that would do anything to help a friend or stranger. He will be dearly missed by all that knew him. Rest in peace Marvin!

Shannon Sizemore - February 11 at 07:52 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Marvin E. Rodemich.



February 10 at 11:47 PM



“ A memory we have of Marv is in his apron cooking for the whole church family. He was always there to help in any way he could. Such a loving and giving man!

Jim and Donna Mussulman - February 10 at 01:27 PM



“ I still consider Marvin (and family) as a neighbor, and a great one he was. You would never question whether he was a man of faith, he wore it on his sleeve. May he rest in peace.

Bill Albert - February 09 at 01:09 PM



“ To the Family accept my sympathy Marv was a great man/friend to know R.I.P.

Paul Straub - February 08 at 10:37 PM



“ Gail A Brown lit a candle in memory of Marvin E. Rodemich



Gail A Brown - February 08 at 09:40 AM



“ Marvin was one of the most like able persons I have known

Denny Ward - February 09 at 04:03 PM



“ Marvin is one of those people that made everyone feel like a cherished family member. He has been a lifelong presence in my life, and our children’s lives. He was a loving chaperone taking our boys to school; he provided the comfort of a grandfather. And yes, we also enjoyed his grandfatherly presence on the sports scene as well. His radiant joy could be felt by all. Sincere condolences to the family, and may the comfort of knowing how well Marvin lived his life, and that he is with Scott, ease your pain.

The Bequette Family



Donna Bequette - February 08 at 08:43 AM



“ Condolences to the Rodemich family

Jim Juengling - February 08 at 09:32 AM



“ So sorry to hear of Marv’s passing!!☐ Always loved being around him and Ruthie! They were always glad to see you and made you feel special! We send our love, prayers, and deepest sympathy! The Hensons

Joyce Henson - February 08 at 09:48 AM



“ Deepest sympathies to the Rodemich family. Movin Marvin was one of the Good Ones! He is with Scott now, and enjoying their reunion. Ruthie/Chris/Billy B., Marvin will be missed. God Bless!

Cris Landgraf - February 08 at 12:00 PM



“ Marvin Rodemich was one of the nicest people you could ever hope to know. May the gentle hand of God bless his family now and in the days ahead Earl & Carol Reichert

Earl & Carol Reichert - February 08 at 12:25 PM



“ Deepest sympathies and prayers for the whole family. Jim and Debbie (Straub) Combs

Debbie (Straub) Combs - February 08 at 01:20 PM



“ We will remember you at Fellowship with a meal of fish.

Edward F Lekosky - February 08 at 03:41 PM



“ Sending prayers and hugs to you Ruthie.

Marilyn Ahrens - February 08 at 07:11 PM



“ I always told Marv that one day he would be the gatekeeper in heaven. Welcoming people as he did at Cclc

Im missing him

Already. Just one more smile would be awesome

Seeing him and Ruth sitting at the back of the church ready to help anyone in need of something was comforting.

What a special man and reading quotes "from his people" only tells us all we should strive to live his legacy and take a page from his playbook

I love you Marv

Thank you for all you

Did to others without even knowing

Love. Vicky Schlemmer

vicky schlemmer - February 08 at 07:51 PM



“ Our family knew the Rodemich family well, I remember Marv as far back as 65 years when we were kids, we spent a lot of time together when our family's were pitching horseshoe and I was in his wife's class in high school, always a smile and a good word, will miss him.

Gene Gummersheimer

Gene V Gummersheimer - February 09 at 03:08 PM



“ Marvin was such a fun loving dad to all of us. I always had so much fun with Scott and Chris at the family farm and all the hayrides we had together. He was always a kind soul and will be deeply missed. He will be a great Angel. Amy Poole (Mac)

Amy Poole - February 09 at 07:37 PM



“ So very sad to hear the news of Marvin's passing. I first met Marvin as my Sunday School teacher so many years ago. Such a wonderful, kind, gentle man. My sympathy to the entire family and may God's grace be with you today and the months ahead. Love, Coleen Jones

Coleen Jones - February 10 at 07:43 PM



“ So many loving memories of Marvin. He always had such positive words to share, always lifting spirits, always had God's grace to share. Pretty sure he and Scott are still catching up in Heaven right now. Love to you all, Robyn, Kevin & the girls

Robyn McCarty - February 10 at 10:20 PM