



Donald Anton Schano

10/07/1922 - 10/23/2009

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Oshkosh, Wisconsin

Beloved husband, father, and grandfather, Donald "Don" Anton Schano, died peacefully in his home on Friday, October 23, 2009. Born on October 7, 1922, in Winneconne, Don had just celebrated his 87th birthday. He will be greatly missed by his family.

Don graduated from Winneconne High School in 1941. He was an insurance consultant and general agent for several years. He went on to become a Member of the Million Dollar Round Table. Don served as President of the NE General Agents Council and President's Club. He formed his own agency, the Schano Insurance Agency, with his office in downtown Winneconne. In 1976, his son Joseph joined the agency.

An active member of St. Mary Catholic Church in Winneconne, he was on the building committee and the Holy Name Society President. Don was also a member of the Winneconne Business Men's Association and Winneconne Kiwanis. Don enjoyed extensive travel with his wife and children, obtaining continuing education for insurance, and going on fishing trips to Canada as well as fishing adventures at home.

To his children, grandchildren, and even their extended friends, he was best known for his beef barley soup (which could cure any ills, his family swears), and the best Tom and Jerry batter never to be equaled. He loved having family around and hearing the laughter, recalling stories told over and over, but never getting old. Don was a gentleman and a gentle man. We were proud to call him dad or grandpa.

Don is survived by wife, Arlyn; three daughters, Carolyn (Joe) Walter, Janet (John) Schiessl, and Valerie (Gary) Lower; four granddaughters, Jennifer (Cory) Gill, Jeanne Marie (Mark) Ford, Elizabeth (Kirk) Studdiford, and Samantha Schano; one grandson, Andrew (Brenda) Schiessl; and eight great-grandchildren, Liam, Duncan, and Stewart Ford, Zachary and Natalie Studdiford, and Anna, Ryan, and Jacob Schiessl.

He was preceded in death by son, Joseph Donald Schano; granddaughter, Holly Reinert; mother, Theresa (Schano) Peterson; and extended family, Dale Peterson, Delores Domske, and Milton Peterson.

A Funeral Mass for Don will be held on Tuesday, October 27, 2009 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Mary Catholic Church, 210 Pleasant Dr., Winneconne, with Rev. Paul Vanden Hogen and Sharon Baker officiating. Burial will follow in St. Thomas Cemetery in the Town of Poygan. A Visitation for family and friends will be on Tuesday at the church from 9:30 a.m. until the time of Mass.

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