



Mr. Norval Gene Vornold

June 3, 1933 - August 1, 2017

Norval Gene Vornold of Willow Springs, unexpectedly passed away early Tuesday, August 1, 2017, while at Willow Care Nursing Home due to natural causes. Born on June 3, 1933 to Erval Norman and Martha Pamiela (Lewis) Vornold in Dalton, MO; he was 84 years old.

Gene grew up and attended school in the Palmyra and Kansas City area. Upon graduation, he enlisted in the U.S. Army and proudly served his country in the signal corps from 1953 to 1955. Gene was employed for 41 years by Verizon Telephone Co., where he served in many different capacities which included installation, climbing poles, and was later the Office Manager in Mtn. Grove, Willow Springs, and West Plains. He was married to Nancy Lock on May 6th, 1972 at the Presbyterian Church in West Plains. He loved to hunt, and had many happy times fishing with his buddy, Otis Petrus, but his passion was for the game of golf. He will be greatly missed by his family and many friends.

Gene is preceded in death by his parents.

He is survived by his wife, Nancy; sons, Rob Gooch and his wife, Kim, Nixa, MO; and Tony Morris of Springfield, MO; daughters, Nescha Dixon and her husband, Larry of Hannibal, MO; and Karla Nelson. Further surviving are

numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren.

The family asks that donations or memorials be made in Gene's memory to the Veterans of Foreign Wars or Wounded Warriors and may be left at the funeral home.

A graveside memorial service will be held Wednesday, August 9, 2017 at 10 AM at the Willow Springs City Cemetery with military honors. Arrangements are under the direction of Willow Funeral Home. On-line condolences may be left at www.willowspringsfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Memorial Service

AUG 9. 10:00 AM (CT)

Willow Springs City Cemetery
State Rte DD
Willow Springs, MO 65793

Tribute Wall

GM

“ Nancy, please know my prayers are with you at this time. Ginger Burns Mesko.

Ginger Burns Mesko - August 13, 2017 at 07:13 PM

GC

“ Nancy no words can express how sorrowful we are. We will cherish the memories we have of Gene sitting behind us at Church and you all making sure Chloe had tic tacs every Sunday. As well as many more memories. We love you Nancy and we will miss Gene.

Gayla Chafin - August 05, 2017 at 07:15 PM

BS

“ Gene was my husband's room mate for several years at the nursing home. He always watched out for Don and made sure he was well taken care of. Rest in peace, dear friend.

Becky Scott - August 02, 2017 at 08:39 PM

WH

“ Nancy so sorry for your loss, Gene was good to everyone, and a good person to work for. I remember the first Christmas he was Office manager at Willow. He bought everyone a large basket of fruit, and delivered it in his personal car.

I can just see him as he got out of the car, with that big smile and a "Merry Christmas" when he handed me the basket of fruit. I thought that was so thoughtful of him and that had never happened before. He wanted us to know that he was willing to be friends and wanted a good working relationship. We had many laughs at work also, always something funny coming up.

One year we all planted a tomato plant by the back door and we had a contest to see which one would have a tomato on the plant first and get ripe. Well that was fun, I don't remember who won, but someone came by from another office and told us we were suppose to "beat" the plants with a stick. ha! Well anyone knows you don't beat your plants, so we had a good laugh about that. Lots of good memories. A great person God Bless him. Wanda Hardman

Wanda Hardman - August 02, 2017 at 06:43 PM

MM

“ Nancy, sorry for your loss, Gene was a nice man, with a good friendly personality, and he loved his golf games! Mary Sue Meal



Mary Sue Meal - August 02, 2017 at 08:52 AM

GG

“ We knew Gene for several years. David worked with him at the Forestry Department. David, Gene and Otis went fishing at Mammoth Springs and the stores they shared. You would laugh so much. This man was an outstanding man of God. He loved life and always had a smile. Always willing to lend a helping hand. If he wasn't at home you could always find him on the golf course. We have lost an awesome man and friend. He will be missed. David and Georgia Garrett McKinney TX

Georgia Garrett - August 01, 2017 at 01:42 PM