



Virgil Van Der Wey

September 30, 1935 - July 15, 2023

Virgil Kenneth Van Der Wey, 87, of Munster, IN, passed away peacefully on July 15, 2023, surrounded by family. We cannot express how much he meant to our family and cannot imagine what life will be like moving forward without him.

He is survived by the love of his life Mary (Hobbic) Van Der Wey, with whom he had recently celebrated 66 wonderful years of marriage. Virgil is welcomed home by his parents, Catherine (Soll) and Clarence Van Der Wey, and his sister Charlotte Pool. He will be greatly missed by his sister Patricia Van Der Wey; children: Ken (Christina) Van Der Wey, Leane (Tommy) Darnell and Greg (Sally) Van Der Wey; and his grandchildren Will, Jackie, Kirsten and Andrew Van Der Wey.

Virgil was a graduate of Hammond High school, and retired from Inland Steel as a computer programmer. He was an avid gardener and loved photography, for which he earned several club awards. He enjoyed bowling, golfing, playing cards, and camping anywhere he could, especially the Indiana State parks. He delighted in playing with the family pets; and was most proud of his grandchildren, and treasured spending time with and watching them grow up to be fine young adults. He cherished any activity associated with family and friends. He had a great wit about him and would always put a smile on your face or make you laugh, right up to the end. Although he may no longer be with us here, he will be remembered as a compassionate and caring man who would help anyone in need.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, July 19th at Memory Lane Memorial Park & Funeral Home, 6305 Lincoln Hwy, Crown Point, IN, from 4:00 to 8:00 PM. Funeral service will be held on Thursday, July 20th at 11:00 AM Memory Lane Funeral Home. Interment to follow at Chapel Lawn. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to: Humane Indiana Shelter (Humane Society), 421 45th Avenue, Munster, IN, 46321, www.humaneindiana.org; or First Baptist Church, 473 Sibley Street, Hammond, IN, 46320, www.fbchammond.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL **19**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Memory Lane Funeral Home
6305 W. Lincoln Highway
Crown Point, IN 46307
(219) 322-2050
info.memorylanepark@gmail.com
<https://memorylanepark.com/>

Funeral Service

JUL **20**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Virgil Van Der Wey.*



July 19, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Virgil Van Der Wey.*



July 18, 2023 at 05:46 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Virgil Van Der Wey.*



July 18, 2023 at 02:50 PM

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“ *Where do I begin, I met Virgil back the 80's when I worked at Montgomery Ward Auto Center. He was the kind of person that when you start talking to him you just can't quit. He loved to talk about all the trips that he & Mary use to make. Oh boy, all the camping stories. ILOVED IT. He was the one that got my husband & I wanting to visit Yellowstone. Many years passed & my husband & I finally made it to Yellowstone. I couldn't wait until he came in the next time to get his oil changed to tell him all about our trip. I can honestly say he was my FAVORITE customer. Oh course, after awhile he wasn't just my customer he was our friend. He loved to hear my husband play in the band when he played at Lake county fair. It was always nice to see him & Mary.*

We were truly lucky to call him our "FRIEND".

RIP

Hugs,

Gail & Nelson Wynn

Gail Wynn - July 17, 2023 at 11:40 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Virgil Van Der Wey.* ”



July 17, 2023 at 08:26 PM