



Donald R. Skeels

May 15, 1919 - January 9, 2009

ADRIAN – Donald R. Skeels, age 89 of Adrian, passed away peacefully Friday, January 9, 2009 at Bixby Medical Center.

Don was born May 5, 1919, the son of Wayland and Fern (Pratt) Skeels. He graduated from Adrian High School. Don attended Adrian College before transferring to Detroit Business College where he received his Bachelor's Degree.

On October 18, 1947, Donald married Marion Roberts in Detroit. Marion, his wife of over 61 years, survives.

For 35 years Don sold Prudential Insurance in Adrian, retiring in 1979. In his retirement he worked for the Sheriff's Department as a bailiff. Don was a member of the First United Methodist Church. He was also a member of the Elks, the Moose and the American Legion. Trips to Wisconsin and Traverse City to see his grandchildren, when he was able, were very important to Don. He was a familiar spectator at the Siena Heights soccer field watching his local grandchildren play.

In addition to his wife, Don is survived by three sons, Donald (Lorie) Skeels of Stoughton, WI; Mark (Mary) Skeels of Clayton; and Matthew (Kim) Skeels of Traverse City; seven grandchildren, Sam, Ben, Emily, Ethan, Zach, Alison and

Leah and five great grandchildren, Sophy, Silas, Ayda, Henry and Lyra. Also surviving are his siblings, Wilma Welch, Dorman Skeels, Kenneth Skeels of Adrian, Gerald Skeels and Victor Skeels.

Don was preceded in death by a sister Natalie and two brothers, Wayland and Charles.

The funeral service for Don will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, January 16, 2009 at Wagley Funeral Home with Rev. Chris Brundage officiating. Burial will follow at Lenawee Hills Memorial Park in Adrian where military honors will be conducted by the Annis Fint Post #1584 of the VFW. Friends may visit the family at the funeral home on Thursday from 4 to 8 p.m. Contributions in memory of Don may be made to Hospice of Lenawee. Envelopes are available at Wagley Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 15. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wagley Funeral Home and Cremation Service
1501 W. Maumee St.
Adrian, MI

Tribute Wall



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“ Donnie, Mark, Matt, Aunt Marion: Only hope knowing others share
your loss can bring some comfort. You all are a BIG part of my life
and I love you. Mike##imported-begin##Michael L McCombs and
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“ Dear Marian, Donnie, Mark and Matt Skeels,
This message is to let you know that we care and share in the loss
of our beloved brother Don. He will be remembered with love and
admiration for a life well lived. May God bless you all.

With love and condolances,
Eileen and Gerry Skeels##imported-begin##Gerry
Skeels##imported-end##

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