



Jack Gray

April 11, 1932 - October 31, 2008

Jack Gray, age 76, of Twin Valley, Minnesota, died Friday, October 31, 2008 in the Veterans Administration Medical Center, Fargo, North Dakota.

John D. (Jack) Gray was born April 11, 1932 the son of John and Dorothy (Nafziger) Gray on a farm south of Twin Valley. At the age of 11, he moved with his family to a farm west of Twin Valley. He attended school in Twin Valley as a boy. As a young man he farmed with his father and also neighbors. In February of 1953, Jack entered the United States Army. He was stationed in Germany where he was a lineman in a communications company until his honorable discharge in 1955. Jack returned to the Twin Valley community where he worked on area farms and later worked for the Twin Valley Creamery as a truck driver. Jack purchased his own milk truck and operated a milk route in the Fertile area. In 1968, he lost his left leg due to cancer. After he recovered from that surgery he worked as a clerk in a motel in East Grand Forks, Minnesota, for several years. In the 1970's he moved back to the farm near Twin Valley where he lived with his parents and brother, Duane. A few years ago Jack and Duane moved into Twin Valley where he lived until the time of his death.

As a boy Jack was active in 4-H and loved riding horses. Jack's favorite past times included watching TV, playing cards and listening to country music. He also was an avid car racing fan and would often attend area races. Jack always enjoyed driving but after he lost his leg, he could be seen most anywhere driving his car, often several hundred miles a day. He would drive

somewhere, stop, and maybe sit on a bench and visit with passersby, look the county over, and then return home that night.

Jack is survived by his three brothers, Duane, Twin Valley, MN, Don, Moorhead, MN and David (Wanda) Fargo, ND. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Funeral services was held Thursday Nov. 6th at 11:00am in the Anderson Funeral Home, Twin Valley, MN. The Twin Valley Nesseseth-Lien Post # 431 of the American Legion served as pallbearers and also provide full military honors at the cemetery. Interment was in the Twin Valley Memorial Gardens, Twin Valley, Minnesota.

Tribute Wall

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“ I enjoyed making Jack smile. I remember the first time I met him. He'd brought his Mom to see David. I didn't know they were all sitting in the kitchen when I came running through the back door already talking and tripped on his crutches! He always had a smile and a wave for me. I'll miss you brother Jack.

Wanda - November 06, 2008 at 08:51 PM

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“ It is such a shame that there isn't something that could be said in an obituary about Jack. Since there doesn't seem to be one, Jack lived a long life and seemed to care about his family. He was a quiet man, but thoughtful. I don't know that much about Jack. but he always spent holidays and special days with his nieces and nephew.

Kathy Holman - November 04, 2008 at 10:03 AM