

## Carroll Kallevig, 83

Sept. 15, 1931 - Aug. 16, 2015

**IRWIN** — Carroll DeWayne Kallevig, was born September 15, 1931 to Alfred and Olga (Gunderson) Kallevig in Wilmar, MN. It was there at the age of 18 that he met the love of his life. Carroll met his bride to be while working as a cook at the Puritan Cafe in Wilmar. Gloria had just started working as a waitress there when the two caught each other's eye. After a brief courtship, the young couple were united in marriage at her parents' home in Irwin on May 28, 1950.

Carroll worked initially on a farm where the newlyweds lived for a short time before moving to a small house by the railroad tracks in Irwin. This also brought an occupational change, as he began working at Steenhusen Hardware and found that he had a real knack for fixing things. Jeanne was born in 1951 and Shari came along in 1953 which caused the young family to expand into a different home on the west edge of Irwin. Sheldon entered the scene in 1955 and a year later, Carroll launched into business with a friend, Don Ferry, calling themselves Irwin Pump and Plumbing. After five years, Carroll took a job with the pork plant in Harlan doing maintenance work. A few years later, soon after the birth of Jenny in 1964, he bought the business he previously owned with Don, renaming it Kallevig Pump Service.

Serving the town of Irwin and surrounding communities for 50 years, Carroll never did officially retire, although he did slow down some! He had a passion for his work and he loved his customers as much as they loved him. He could be seen traveling around the area with one of his beloved Yorkshire Terriers with him, howling out a song together as they drove. Each summer for many years, Carroll and Gloria would travel back to Minnesota to visit family there, which was a highlight for them both. Long time members of the Irwin Church of Christ, most of their social life revolved around church activities. Eventually they would travel around the area following his love of photography, taking all kinds of pictures including many weddings. In later years, Carroll took to gardening, always growing massive tomato plants and wonderful sweet corn to share with family and friends. A self taught musician, he loved to sit for hours and play gospel music by ear on his organ. Carroll went home to be with his Lord on August 16, 2015 after unexpected complications in his health, having attained the age of eighty-three years, eleven months and one day.

Preceding him in death, besides his parents, were his only sister, Vivienne, and his daughter, Shari. He is survived by his wife of 65 years, Gloria (Wiig) Kallevig of Irwin; children: Jeanne and her husband, Greg Taylor of Fresno, CA; Sheldon Kallevig and his wife, Teri of Kansas City, MO; Jennifer and her husband Ron French of Manilla; son-in-law Alan Petersen of Irwin; 13 grandchildren; 14 great grandchildren; other relatives and many friends.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, August 19, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. at the Church of Christ in Irwin. Burial was held at the Oak Hill Cemetery in Irwin with Marlin Petersen, Rex Adams, Rollan Kuhl, Pete Steenhusen, Don Ferry, Eugene Monson and Lyle Campbell serving as honorary casket bearers. Ron French, Alan Petersen, Orin Bruhn, Danny Mickelsen, Eric Monson and Jack Knudsen served as casket bearers.



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