



Melvyn G. Marshall

November 9, 1940 - October 7, 2018

Melvyn G. Marshall, 77, of Manteno, passed away Sunday (Oct. 7, 2018) at Presence St. Mary's Hospital in Kankakee.

He was born Nov. 9, 1940, in Peotone, the son of Lewis Marshall and Velma McComb. He was married to Judith E. Marshall.

Melvyn owned Marshall Trucking, MGM Enterprises, Melco Brokerage, Sugar Creek Flea Market, Hitch Kommander, Triangle Employment, Melco Transfer, Melco Tire and People 4U. Prior to that, he worked at Ford Motor Company and worked as a bartender.

He attended the Manteno United Methodist Church.

Melvyn was a graduate of Manteno High School, a member of FFA and Manteno Planning Commission for many years, longtime board member of Manteno Sportsmans Club, board chair holder of Old Time Farm Show, Slow Boys Tractor Club, The Green Club, White Tails Unlimited, National Wild Turkey Federation and Ducks Unlimited. He was the licensed pyrotechnician for the Manteno fireworks for many years. He enjoyed collecting guns, traveling, antique cars, old Westerns, going to the cabin and fishing.

He was a tech wiz and enjoyed gadgets. He was a farmer at heart and a tractor enthusiast. His family described Melvyn as a generous kind soul who never met a stranger. He loved his family and grandkids.

Surviving are a daughter, Kathleen J. and Gagnon, of Wasilla, Alaska; and sons, David Marshall, of Manteno, and Mike Marshall, of Manteno, Grandchildren, Westley & Breana Mackenzie, Chandler, and Dawson all of Alaska, and Jarrod, Leeanne Marshall, and Brandon Stone, and Great Grandchildren, Hope, Annabella, Westley Jr, and Krystal of Alaska. He was preceded in death by his wife.

Cemetery Details

Bloom Grove

Manteno, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **12**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Brown-Jensen Funeral Home
21 N Main St
Manteno, IL 60950

Service

OCT **13**. 11:00 AM (CT)

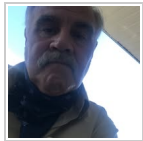
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Tribute Wall



“ *Melvyn G. Marshall*

October 06, 2023 at 01:14 PM



“ *My son made a life in Hi. Because of the help Melvin gave me and are family . I am mark gust*



Mj Gus - October 11, 2019 at 12:49 PM



“ *Billy D. Patton lit a candle in memory of Melvyn G. Marshall*



Billy D. Patton - October 16, 2018 at 07:40 PM



“ *Our deepest sympathy to all the family. Melvyn was the most generous man always a smile and how are you. Will always remember his Christmas parties he was so proud to host, non better.*

Dick and Charlene Cannon

Charlene Cannon - October 14, 2018 at 12:42 AM

GO

“ George and Nancy Orton, and family send our deepest condolences. thank you for all of the great years at covered Bridges. Gonna miss you.

George Orton - October 12, 2018 at 07:43 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Melvyn G. Marshall.



October 12, 2018 at 05:13 PM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Melvyn G. Marshall.



October 11, 2018 at 11:03 PM

JM

“ I always Called him Melco Melvy, I worked for him when he started out in a trailer behind the house. Melvy was a kind & caring man who always put the needs of others first. He was always a gracious donor to my daughters team the "Double K Krew" March of Dime, which we will forever be grateful. Melvy was Loved by many & will be deeply missed. Take your wings and fly high my Dear Friend ♡

Janet Martin - October 11, 2018 at 07:35 PM

BB

“ 1979 i need a job. Melvyn hired me with no experience. Taught me to drive a truck. Melvyn helped many people, always grateful for what he did for me. Great guy.

Bill Beutien - October 11, 2018 at 04:32 PM

FH

“ Mel and I were classmates in high school. A really great guy. I know he will be missed by family and so many others.

Frances Haase

Tucson, AZ

fahaase@aol.com

Frances Haase - October 11, 2018 at 02:02 PM

DH

“ Thoughts and prayers to the family. Melvyn was a friend from school days and always stopped to say hello when we would meet. We will miss those greetings. Don & Kay

Donald Hoffman - October 11, 2018 at 11:49 AM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Melvyn G. Marshall.



October 11, 2018 at 08:01 AM

RM

“ *Ronnie and the Crew at Miller hydraulic will truly miss Melvin and send our deepest condolences*



Ronnie Miller - October 10, 2018 at 09:39 PM

CD

“ *Chuck & Nancy Dixon lit a candle in memory of Melvyn G. Marshall*



Chuck & Nancy Dixon - October 10, 2018 at 06:05 PM

SA

“ *Sandy lit a candle in memory of Melvyn G. Marshall*



Sandy - October 10, 2018 at 01:10 PM

RD

“ *Ruth Donaldson lit a candle in memory of Melvyn G. Marshall*



Ruth Donaldson - October 10, 2018 at 11:42 AM



“ *Sentimental Dreams was purchased for the family of Melvyn G. Marshall.*



October 10, 2018 at 10:33 AM



“ *Sandy Shawn and Malachi purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Melvyn G. Marshall.*



Sandy Shawn and Malachi - October 09, 2018 at 01:06 PM



“ *James and Malachi Link purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Melvyn G. Marshall.*



James and Malachi Link - October 09, 2018 at 01:03 PM



“ *Jo Hays lit a candle in memory of Melvyn G. Marshall*



Jo Hays - October 09, 2018 at 09:31 AM

RL

“ Rick Lowry lit a candle in memory of Melvyn G. Marshall



Rick Lowry - October 09, 2018 at 08:58 AM

EM

“ Emily lit a candle in memory of Melvyn G. Marshall



Emily - October 09, 2018 at 05:43 AM

DW

Gentleman is what he was and will be missed.

Doris and Warren - October 09, 2018 at 10:50 AM



“ Donna Zomick lit a candle in memory of Melvyn G. Marshall



Donna Zomick - October 08, 2018 at 09:54 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Melvyn G. Marshall.*



October 08, 2018 at 09:52 PM



“ *Shontell lit a candle in memory of Melvyn G. Marshall*



shontell - October 08, 2018 at 09:21 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the family! Jesse and Tina Mason*

Jesse Mason - October 08, 2018 at 07:34 PM

“ How does one share a memory of a great man in just a few words? I'm not sure. I first met Melvyn at the Manteno Sportsmen's Club. It was at a membership meeting and there were 2 sides arguing about something, but I can't remember what. He stood up and the room grew quiet. He spoke, and the room settled down. That was Melvyn. He loved everyone, and everyone loved him.

We became friends. I got involved in the club and soon he was the Chairman and he got me to be the Treasurer. We did a lot that year; newsletter, Memorial Day celebration and skydivers, new membership drive, veterans' boat trip, restocking the lake and more. He created unity and it brought us all to work together for the good of the club. That year the club grew, cleared out expenses and did much improvement. He was truly unselfish.

I remember he would always talk about his travels to Alaska. He would go up there and when he got back tell me all about the family, the climate and the rising and falling tides. Salmon. Fun.

Then there were the fishing trips we took to his cabin. That would include Leland, Sudsy, Bob, Mel and myself. We were like kids at scout camp. Our phones didn't work there. We didn't drink there, either. We just fished and laughed.

In 99, John Stokes had an accident with a train. John said he did not go around the gates. Mel believed him. Mel needed to keep John from reporters. National News reporters like Connie Chung were driving around town asking people where to find John. Hupe was misdirecting them to the wrong places, and keeping Mel informed about it. Mel had me pick John up from where he was hiding, and secretly take him to the Symerton Tap. We sat and drank beer with the locals and watched the news reporters broadcast live from Peotone. They never found him. And later Mel defended John all the way. John did not go around those gates. There were visits to the house to see Mel and Judy, and after Judy died just Mel. We would talk and talk. Always good.

Mel took me to see his farm in Indiana. He kept all his collectible tractors and equipment out there. That was fun. Mel was the happiest around his tractors!

There were visits to MELCO. There were meet ups at Yannis.

*Sometimes it was just phone calls. All in all, every memory I have of Mel is a good one.
I regret living in Florida now, because being far away makes it hard to attend his service. But I will be there in my heart, for my longtime friend. I will miss Melvyn Marshall.*

Bill Towler

Bill Towler - October 08, 2018 at 07:25 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Melvyn G. Marshall.*



October 08, 2018 at 05:06 PM



“ *Ronnie and I have more than 45 years of memories with this guy. We have been through his up's and downs and he has been with us. Gonna miss him so much*

Ron and Alice Wasson - October 08, 2018 at 02:42 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with Melvyn's family during this time of sorrow. You have our deepest sympathy.
Jerry and Anne Engelhardt*

Jerry Engelhardt - October 08, 2018 at 02:40 PM

BH

“ We have known Melvin for most of our life's. Always had a kind word.. a joke.. a smile that would make your day better. He has always been a gentleman and a kind soul. Rest Easy Mel 📖 🥺



Bill & Holley Henderson - October 08, 2018 at 02:05 PM

DD

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to the family.. Sorry for your loss..



Denise Delaney - October 08, 2018 at 01:03 PM

JG

“ Rest in Peace Melvyn



Jo Ellen Grandpre - October 08, 2018 at 12:19 PM

TK

“ Always enjoyed interacting with Melvin! Hardest working man I knew! Wishing Peace to his family!

Terry Keigher - October 08, 2018 at 12:09 PM