



Delmar Donald "Swede" Calander

October 20, 1921 - November 21, 2013

Donald "Swede" Calander, 92, of Topeka, passed away peacefully at home on November 16, 2013. Donald was born October 20, 1921, in Stanley, Isanti County MN to Gust Algot and Ella Sophia (Norberg) Calander. Prior to World War II, Donald worked in the Civil Conservation Corps in Deer River MN. In 1942 he enlisted in the Merchant Marines, serving until 1945. Donald married Loretta Smith on October 22, 1947 in Emporia KS. He worked for Don Conroy Contractors for 37 years as a foundation foreman. He was a lifetime member of the Knights of Columbus and charter member of Christ the King Catholic Church. Donald is survived by his wife, Loretta; four children, Rhonda Calander, Regina Gabrielson, Rose Mary (Alan) Whitford, and John (Susan) Calander, all of Topeka; six grandchildren, Eric (Theresa) and Leif (Amy) Gabrielson, all of Lawrence, David Whitford, Phoenix AZ, Laura (Jeff) King, Jacob and Elizabeth Calander all of Topeka; six great-grandchildren Connor, Evan, Max, Maggie Gabrielson, all of Lawrence, Adelaide King, Topeka, Annabel Whitford, of Klamath Falls OR; as well as many nieces and nephews. Donald was preceded in death by his parents, five brothers, three sisters, three grandchildren and one son-in-law. The family would like to thank all the wonderful caring people at Mission Township Fire Department, St. Francis, Midland Hospice, and Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home who cared for Donald. You were a great blessing to us. May God bless each of you abundantly. Visitation will be Thursday 5-7 p.m. at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home with Divine Mercy Devotion at 6:30 and Knights of Columbus

Rosary to follow. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Friday at Christ the King Church with burial at Mount Calvary Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Christ the King Church or Midland Hospice and left in care of Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614.

Tribute Wall



“ *Delmar Donald "Swede" Calander*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *Rosie,
My thoughts and prayers are with you during this time of sorrow.
Remember the good times and cherish the memories.
Love you, Beth A. Quaney*

Beth Quaney - November 26, 2013 at 05:19 PM



“ *Rhonda and family,

So sorry for the loss of you father. You and your family will be in my thoughts and prayers as you lay him to rest. May he rest in peace.

Darla Jaimez (Mary Jaimez's mom - OLG Class of 2000)*

Darla Jaimez - November 20, 2013 at 10:05 PM



“ *Neighbors, We are sorry for your loss and pray that God gives you strength through the coming days.*

Tom and Carol Horton - November 20, 2013 at 07:48 PM



“ *Dear Calander Family, We are sorry that we are unable to attend your Dad's Mass Friday as Muck has recently had a total knee replacement. We will remember you all in our prayers.*

Sue and Merwyn Muckenthaler - November 20, 2013 at 04:10 PM

MC

“ Rhonda and Calander Family,
I'm so sorry to read about the passing of your,Dad. You and Your
Family are in my thoughts and prayers. Remember,no one can ever
take away your memories;they are with you for your lifetime.

MPH Class 63 and Hayden Class 67

Marge (Walters) Cooper - November 20, 2013 at 12:53 PM

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Hayden Class 67

Marge (Walters) Cooper - November 20, 2013 at 12:52 PM

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Hayden Class 67

Marge (Walters) Cooper - November 20, 2013 at 12:50 PM

JS

“ *John and Susan*

So sorry to hear of your loss. Prayers to you and your family.

Janet

Janet Sommer - November 20, 2013 at 11:41 AM

SS

“ *My deepest sympathy to the Calander Family. I will keep you all in my thoughts and prayers.*

Susie Foster Sachs - November 20, 2013 at 08:49 AM

RH

“ *Rhonda*

May God be with your during this time of sorrow. Thoughts and prayers.

Richard, Lisa, Angela, Rose, Christina, Mary, Nicole, and Stephanie

Richard and Lisa Hockenberry - November 18, 2013 at 09:54 PM