



Robert Henry Keeler

April 30, 1927 - April 24, 2013

Robert Henry Keeler of Tustin passed away peacefully surrounded by family Wednesday April 24, 2013 at Mercy Hospital in Cadillac. He was 85 years young. He was born on April 30, 1927 in Cadillac to Fred and Lolabelle (Bunce) Keeler.

He attended North Park School and later joined the United States Army, where he worked as a medical aid man administering first aid. On June 26, 1948 he married his lifelong sweetheart Dorothy Ann Mitchell, who preceded him in death on March 31, 2010. On May 11, 1958 he was ordained Elder into the Community of Christ Church and served in churches in Cadillac and Marion where he devoted his life to being a man of the Lord.

He enjoyed hunting, fishing, bird watching and just being outdoors. He spent his summers camping, gardening, berry picking and he couldn't resist stopping at a good yard sale. Robert was a fun, loving man who touched the hearts of all who knew him.

He is survived by his children: Clayton (Amy) Keeler, Rick (Teresa) Keeler and Peni Keeler all of Tustin; grandchildren; Kerri Keeler, Colton Keeler, Jennie Keeler, Kelsie Keeler, Clint (Maria) Keeler, Rikki Keeler, Ethan Keeler, Josh (Becca) Parmelee, Breanne (Nick) Fimbinger and Josie Thompson; 6 great grandchildren; a brother, Willis (Greta) Keeler, a sister Marge (Bud) Rogers;

many nephews and nieces and in laws: Jack Mitchell, Doyle Mitchell and Kathy Rosted.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a son, Ronald in 1968; a sister, Leona Miller and his wife of 63 years, Dorothy Keeler.

Funeral services will be held 11:00 am Saturday April 27, 2013 at the Peterson Funeral Home in Cadillac with Elder Brent Michell officiating. Friends may meet the family Friday from 5-8 p.m. at the Funeral Home. Burial will take place at the Meauwataka Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Community of Christ of Marion. An online guestbook is available at www.petersonfh.com.

Tribute Wall

SW

“ We just heard (late) about Bob's passing. Our thoughts are with the family... Clay's stories about his Dad were fabulous.
-- Sally & Ed

Sally Repeck, Ed Wendover - May 01, 2013 at 05:20 PM

MM

“ Uncle Bob, thank you for preaching Jesus loves me this I know for the bible tells me so. Give a man a fish and he will eat for a day. Teach a man to fish and he will eat for a lifetime. Rest in peace there at the right hand of the father..forever

mike mitchell - May 01, 2013 at 10:03 AM

JP

“ A wonderful man and Father. So sorry for your loss. So glad he's with Dorothy, Ron and James!

Judi Pearson - April 30, 2013 at 08:57 AM

KM

“ To: Clay, Rick, & Peni and their families; and also to Kerri.
I have always remembered your dad and grandpa, my uncle "
Bob"
as a jolly, good natured person with a playful sense of humor;
always indulging in a laugh. My uncle "
Bob"
liked to reminisce and share of days gone bye; especially if it was
telling a story of hunting or fishing.
My uncle "
Bob"
will be missed by many!

Love You & Take Care, Kevin

Kevin Mitchell - April 29, 2013 at 10:41 AM

RE

“ I can remembered the day I met Bob, he was camping next to my
family and I out at the Park of Pines. He was so thoughtful that
every year we always requested to camp next to him. Last summer
he had picked a bowl of black berries for my children and brought
them with him. I told him that we would take the bowls home only if
next year we could bring them back full for him. He replied that if his
savoir called him back to heaven before then that he wanted to me
to give those berries to the children in the nursery. I plan to do that.
Bob will be missed dearly by myself and family. To his family, I am
so sorry for your lose, he was such an amazing man.

Ruth Eaton - April 27, 2013 at 06:20 PM

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“ Rest in peace Robert, I will never forget your kind words !

Valerie J Myers (Racine) - April 26, 2013 at 07:17 PM

DF

“ Thoughts and prayers to the family of Bob. we are honored that Bob was a part of our wedding and able to become close to our family, he will be sincerely missed.

Dave and Amanda Bode and family - April 26, 2013 at 06:05 PM

LE

“ Bob was a great day! Always had a smile on his face and brought one to mine! Was sad to hear he is gone but know that when he arrived in Heaven he heard " Well done good and faithful servant" from his Father God. Prayers going out for the whole family.

Liz Shively Eastway - April 26, 2013 at 04:21 PM

LP

“ We sure will miss Bob - a wonderful neighbor and good man. I am so glad you chose this picture - it really captures Bob.

Laura, Steve and Sam Pentces - April 26, 2013 at 01:26 PM

JB

“ So sorry for the families loss of a good man. The Sharp family

jan & mike boyd - April 26, 2013 at 08:12 AM

GH

“ Bob will forever missed. Loved life to the fullest. He had such an amazing family. Did a good job as a husband, and father. He helped so many people in his life. He truly will be missed.

Gary & Mary Henry - April 26, 2013 at 07:08 AM