



Wallace D. "Wally" Anderson

March 24, 1920 - October 30, 2020

Wallace Durrell "Wally" Anderson of Cadillac passed away early Friday morning, October 30, 2020 at the Curry House Assisted Living in Cadillac. He was 100 and very proud to have reached his goal. Wally was born on March 24, 1920 in Tustin to John S. & Dora A. (Mishler) Anderson.

He graduated from Cadillac High School in 1939 and while in high school he worked for his father driving cab for Anderson Cab. Wally entered the United States Army in 1942 and trained at Camp Custer in Michigan and then went to Texas before being deployed to North Africa on the U.S.S. Miss American which took 7 days. He was issued ammunition in Patton's 7th Army. He served on the Island of Sicily and then Italy and was honorably discharged in 1945.

Returning from his service to our country he built his first home on Lake Mitchell and started his career working at Vogue Cleaners and later purchased the building and business and was the owner/operator for over 50 years retiring in 1979. While working Wally enjoyed going across the street for lunch and coffee at Hanson's Lunch with the guys and continued having coffee with his friends at Blue Heron for many years.

Wally had many hobbies including woodworking, working out doors on his lawn, metal detecting with his buddy Art, hunting, and fishing. He was a life

member of the American Legion Post #94, AMVETS Post # 110 and the VFW Post #6864 all of Cadillac.

On January 12, 1952 in Cadillac he married the former Esther A. Majerle and she survives him along with many nieces and nephews: James (Caroline) Walker, Richard Walker, Patricia Hazekamp, Kathy Baughen, Robert LaChonce, Orville LaChonce, Jr., Nancy Balsden, Ken (Pat) Rom, Jim (Elaine) Rom, Denis Rom, Alan Martel, Barb Herald, Judy (Jim) Siverly, Rita Majerle-Klug, Tim Majerle, Gret (Jerry) Dicey, Tina (Stacey) Creed, Michael (Colleen) Majerle, and Carol Brewer and special friends, Susan & Mike Walsh and Meaghan and Emily. Wally was preceded in death by his brother, Harold Anderson and 2 sisters: Alvera LaChonce and Eleanor Walker.

Funeral services will be held 11:00 AM Thursday, November 5, 2020 at St. Ann Catholic Church in Cadillac with Reverend Fr. Michael Janowski officiating. Burial will be at Mount Carmel Cemetery in Cadillac with full military rites under the auspices of the Cadillac Area Honor Guard. Friends may meet the family from 5-7 PM Wednesday at Peterson Funeral & Cremation Services in Cadillac. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Ann Catholic Church. An online guestbook is available at www.petersonfh.com.

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“ Our deepest sympathies and condolences for Esther and the family at this time. Wally was a long-time friend of our family, especially, our dad and husband, Art. We will miss him but knowing that he is with the Lord. Wally and Art our metal detecting again. God Bless you.

Patricia and Ken Zergoski - November 03, 2020 at 09:59 AM

GD

“ Uncle Wally was a gem. A treasure to his family. He deserves a blissful rest in heaven, but he is probably already making witty comments as he organizes and tidies up the place. Love, G

Gret Dicey - November 02, 2020 at 11:15 AM

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“ What a genuine good guy Wally was for the 47 years I've been in the family. I first got to know him when I worked at Hanson's lunch summers and as a co-op kid. Half of the men downtown (the best half in my opinion)came in for coffee, doughnuts, sandwich's, etc multiple times a day for short breaks. The cleaners being just across the street Wally was in frequently. It was a great learning experience for a young guy listening to countless stories from some of Cadillac's finest. Later when I married into the family I found out how much he loved to play poker, you could whisper poker and he'd be sitting at the table. He said he made enough on the trip home from Europe to pay for the cabin he built after the war. We have lost truly one of the GREATEST generation.

Stacey Creed - November 01, 2020 at 11:08 AM

DR

“ We'll miss you, Uncle Wally. My kids still love to hear how you built houses for Junie and the other chipmunks, and how they would sit on your knee to eat peanuts. And my kids love thinking about how gullible as a kid-for at least a few years, I believed you every time you pulled off my nose.- Ha-ha! We're sure you're making them laugh in heaven! Love, Deidra, Eddy, Fiona, and Lucas

Deidra Razzaque - October 31, 2020 at 03:14 PM