

Rodell L. "Van" Jarden

June 22, 1939 - March 25, 2016

Rodell L. "Van" Jarden, age 76 of Marine, IL, died Friday, March 25, 2016, at Saint Elizabeth's Hospital in Belleville, IL.

He was born on Thursday, June 22, 1939, in Staunton, IL, the son of Udell and Irma Jarden nee Poore.

On Tuesday, August 15, 1961, he married Violet Jarden nee Dunlop in Londonderry, Northern, Ireland UK. She survives in Marine, IL.

Born and raised at Staunton, IL. After serving with the National Guard for two years he joined the US Navy, serving on the USS Dealey (Destroyer Escort) as a Machinist's Mate, during "Operation Blue Bat" in the Lebanon Cold War Crisis. After his service he returned to Staunton and began working with his father as a painter. Later he became a printing supervisor with Hano in Mt Olive, IL and following from 1967 to 1981 was a supervisor at Wall Street Journal in Highland, IL. He then returned to painting until retiring in 2001. He and his wife vacationed with family during retirement, enjoyed long drives, and listening to AM radio. He enjoyed the outdoors, taking care of his yard, and going fishing. He was known for his creativity, quick wit and being able to fill a room with laughter by his humor. But most important of all to him was the time he spent with his wife, daughters, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. His family was what he cherished most.

Survivors include:

Wife - Violet Jarden, nee Dunlop, Marine, IL

Daughter - Dawn C. (Steve) Polus, Marine, IL

Daughter - Jennifer L. (David) Rikli, Highland, IL

Daughter - Tanya (Mark) Slifka, New Douglas, IL

Grandchild - Ashley N. (significant other-Keith Parish) Dresch, New Douglas, IL

Grandchild - Alisha C. Dresch, Saint Louis, MO

Grandchild - Annie M. Polus, Marine, IL

Grandchild - Nicholas R. (girlfriend-Brittany Davidson) Rikli, Granite City, IL

Grandchild - Patrick A. (Nicole) Rikli, Surprise, AZ

Grandchild - Hillary G. Rikli, Springfield, IL

Grandchild - Emily Slifka, New Douglas, IL

Grandchild - Natalie Slifka, New Douglas, IL

Grandchild - Andrew Slifka, New Douglas, IL

Great Grandchild - Trinity L. Dresch (twin), New Douglas, IL

Great Grandchild - Quentin J. Dresch (twin), New Douglas, IL

Great Grandchild - Nikolle A. Rikli, Highland, IL

Great Grandchild - Carl J. Rikli, Highland, IL

Step Grandchild - Ian E. Polus, Litchfield, IL

Step Grandchild - Lyle D. Polus, Hillsboro, IL

Step Great Grandchild - Noah R. Polus, Litchfield, IL

Sister - Maxine (Don) Morgan, Jacksonville, FL

Sister - Donna L. (Harley) Linn, Santa Fe, NM

Brother - Billy J. Simons, Phoenix, AZ

Many Nieces and Nephews.

He was preceded in death by:

Father - Udell Frederick Jarden

Mother - Irma Maxine Jarden, nee Poore

Step Father - William "Bill" Simons (since Rodell was age 12)

Brother - Jerome D. Bond

Brother - Carl Dean Jarden.

Arrangements are being handled by Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Marine, IL.

Visitation will be held from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM Wednesday, March 30, 2016, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Marine, IL.

Funeral service will be at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, March 30, 2016, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Marine, IL., with Rev. Maurice Alms, pastor, Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Livingston, IL, officiating.

Interment will be at Memorial Park Cemetery in Staunton, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made to Saint Jude's Children Research Hospital .

Previous Events

Service

MAR 30. 9:00 AM (CT)

Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home - Marine

311 North Humboldt Street

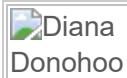
P.O. Box 113

Marine, IL 62061

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Tribute Wall

 Diana Donohoo

“ So sorry for your loss. I am praying that you and your family can have peace knowing he's with the Father & all is well!!
Love & prayers,
Diana Donohoo



Diana Donohoo - March 29, 2016 at 08:50 AM

DS

“ Doni Lynn and Todd Sandberg purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Rodell L. "Van" Jarden.



Doni Lynn and Todd Sandberg - March 28, 2016 at 06:45 PM

DS

“ My prayers and thoughts are with my Aunt Vi and my cousins during this difficult time and loss in their family. I've not lived near them in many years, but I have so many wonderful memories of my childhood with my Uncle Van. I loved to help pick dandelions in their yard and play with my Barbie's in their living room. My own grandchildren still have the Barbie furniture my aunt and uncle got me for Christmas one year. I loved Uncle Van very much and he will be very missed.

Love you all!
Doni Lynn and Todd Sandberg

Doni Sandberg - March 28, 2016 at 05:34 PM

AP

“ Our sympathy to the family. My Father was Charles Richard Jarden, & was a cousin to Udell Jarden, so we are relatives. So sad we did not know Van, but hear he was a very nice man, & I know my Dad thought a lot of Udell. Daddy always wanted to go see more of his cousins, but as a farmer did not get to do all he wanted to do, since he had 12 children to feed, & cows to milk. Please know he loved all of them.

Know Van & Dad will get acquainted in Heaven. His picture shows a family resemblance. One day we also hope to see that sweet smile too,

Hugs & Prayers to the family.

Sincerely,

Jim & Anne (Jarden) Partridge

3534 Cedar Falls Road

Bonne Terre, MO 63628

Anne Partridge - March 28, 2016 at 05:17 AM

SJ

“ Many say you can judge the size of a man by how far he casts his shadow. Although we did not know Grandpa Jarden as well as we would have liked, we have seen the depth of his shadow. We have become very acquainted with the Riklis in recent years and would truly call them family and friends. The life and generosity of Van Jarden is evident in each and every one of them and stand as a testimony to this great man and the life he and Violet blessed us with. We are truly sorry for your loss and hope you find comfort in all that he has left behind. It is literally all around you. May God Shepard your family through this difficult time.

The Johnsons

Stephen Johnson - March 27, 2016 at 07:17 PM

EB

“ *ED & JEAN BOND purchased the Tender Tribute for the family of Rodell L. "Van" Jarden.*



ED & JEAN BOND - March 27, 2016 at 02:18 PM