



Dale Lee Grube

November 21, 1938 - January 25, 2021

Dale Lee Grube went home to Jesus on January 25, 2021 at age 82.

Dale was born to Elenore (Little) and George Clare Grube on November 21, 1938 in DeKalb, IL . As a child, Dale and his identical twin brother Dean got into many shenanigans, including catching a field of corn on fire and stopping a train with their new flashlights. Dale Graduated from North Judson High School where he excelled in football, basketball and track coached by his Uncle Virgil Little.

Dale married his high school sweetheart Dorothy Jean Lemke July 16, 1960 in Riverside CA. They had three children Brenda Jane, Damon Lee and Andrew Dale. There he worked as an electrical engineer. In 1976 moved his family back home to North Judson where he bought and ran “Grube’s Service Station” until he retired.

In addition to being a dedicated and loving husband and father, Dale loved to watch his children, grandchildren, nephews, nieces and their children participate in sports and various school activities. Throughout his entire life, Dale held an unwavering faith in Christ, which he shared with those who surrounded him.

Dale and Dorothy became foster parents beginning in the 1980’s and took into their home many children, mostly teenagers. Three of those children became permanent members of the family; Darrell Minix, and brothers Bill and Casey Clifford.

Dale is preceded in death by parents George Clare Grube and Elenor (Little)

Grube, brother Dean Grube, and granddaughter Erika Nichole Stone. Also, In-Laws William and Donna Lemke; Brother-in-Law Jerry Fingerhut.

He is survived by his loving wife Dorothy of North Judson IN, Children Brenda and husband Eric Stone of Columbus OH, Damon and wife Christine of Westfield IN, Andrew and wife Becky of Cincinnati OH, Darryl and wife Angie of San Pierre IN, William and wife Melissa of North Manchester IN, and Casey of Pendleton IN. Grandchildren Brandon Stone; Daniel, Joshua and Jacob Grube; William and David Grube; Kendall, Taylor, Halle and Hayden Minix; Haley, Ella and Vida Clifford; and Lilly Clifford. Great grandchildren Chester, Jack and Reign Elder; and Landon Reed. Brother and sister in-laws Shirley Fingerhut, Carol and Ron Mee, Don and Deb Lemke and Gail and Mark Little. A home going celebration will be held later this spring.

Donations can be made to:

Kids Closet-Food Pantry c/o NJUMC, 210 Central Ave. North Judson IN
46366

Prairie Trails Club, Inc. c/o Kathleen Lucas- Treasurer, PO Box 72, North
Judson, IN 46366

Tribute Wall

HM

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Hayden M. - February 05, 2021 at 12:15 AM

CP

“ I send my condolences to the family. I am so sorry to lose another classmate. The class of '57 was special.
Charles Pefley

Charles Pefley - February 02, 2021 at 10:30 PM

BL

“ Dale and Dorothy are two of the greatest human beings that I have ever had the privilege of knowing. Being friends with Casey and Bill, I spent countless hours at the Grube house. Casey and Bill couldn't have asked for two better people to take them in to their home. Dale will be missed by many, but his caring/giving legacy will live on forever.

Brett Lambert - February 02, 2021 at 02:54 PM

 Jeffrey
Wright

“ Thank you for always welcoming us crazy kids into your house and the love you showed Bill and Casey. Love to the family.

Jeffrey Wright - January 30, 2021 at 04:04 AM

VB

“ So sorry to hear about your loss dear friend and family. Dale , Dorothy and I grew up together. I know he had a family he loved as well as loving our Lord. He will be missed. Love and prayers to you all ❤️🙏

Vern and Kathy Barnett - January 29, 2021 at 10:20 PM



“ Dale,

You have always been an inspiration to me. I share our friendship often with others. As a teen, (some of the most influential and formidable days of my life) I had the privilege to have you as my Sunday school teacher, teen group leader, home group member, church member, and the best of the best adult friend/example a teenage boy could ask for as a Christian man. Thank you for the time you put into my life. I am a life that God used you to save.

One of the stories I often share about us is the time you decided to “dry out your socks over the warmth of a campfire” during a canoe trip. I’ll never forget the look on your face when those socks roasted themselves in two pieces of “stiff cardboard”. It was a priceless moment of laughter in the midst of an extremely wet venture.

Aside from your faith and example of sharing a life of Christ, one of the most valuable lessons I have ever learned from you was how to laugh through the things life brings our way. Thank you being that example.

May the love and laughter you and your family have always shared with me be a testament of faith and endurance shared by everyone you touched in so many ways. Thank you for being that person in my life.

I love you Dale. See you soon.

*Sincerely,
Tom*

PS - Our sincerest comforting thoughts are extended to Dale and Dorothy’s family during this time. God bless the Grube family.

*With much love and many hugs,
Tom & Lori Wright*

Thomas Wright - January 29, 2021 at 01:45 PM



“ *To the family of Dale Grube*

My twin sister (Dorothy, now known as Dolly) and I (Rosalia, now known as Lee) lived next to Dean & Dale in North Judson. I now live in California and my twin in North Carolina.

So sorry to hear of Dale's passing. It was interesting twins living next to twins. Dale was always my favorite. I live in California now (my twin in North Carolina).

My memories of Dale are great. He was always so nice to us.

God rest his soul. I'm sure you will miss him!

Lee Weir

Known as Rosalia Weninger in North Judson



Lee Weir - January 29, 2021 at 12:17 AM



“*LEGACY: My first real experience with legacy was when I was in high school and saw my Dad's school record on the wall. I immediately knew that I was not going to graduate high school without claiming that record as my own. It took my entire high school track career to meet that goal. On my very last race of my high school career that record which had stood for 25 years fell. My Dad's legacy I would claim and carry forward as my own.*

About twenty-five years ago, Dad came home from a trip to California. He had attended his father's funeral. He and his brother were the only people there to show respect for his father's life. Dad's comment to me was, "Its poetic justice for the way he lived his life."

I've realized since then that my father, the son of an alcoholic, had lived his life in such a way as to not claim the legacies his father had left for him. That legacy he would not pass to his children. His legacy would be to break the chains.

I grew up seeing my father enjoy drinking a beer with pizza or other occasions. As I think back I realize I had never seem him over consume. Always by example, never saying a word, he broke the chains of his legacy and created his own. Seeing that difference between him and my grandfather, I choose that same path and modeled that as well with my boys. I took it to the extent that if it was not good for my kids, it wasn't good for me either. My Dad's legacy I would claim and carry forward as my own.

My father was a hard worker. I remember 12 hour days 7 days a week growing the service station into a business that would sustain our family. Despite this he came to every one of our sporting events he could. Dressed in his work clothes coming directly from the station he was there. My Dad's legacy I would claim and carry forward as my own.

As a family we always went to church together. But as he grew

older, his faith in and love for Christ grew deeper. As he pursued this journey in deeper relationship with Christ, he brought his family with him. Again a legacy Dad created by example showing us how important this was to him. My Dad's legacy I would claim and carry forward as my own.

As I now contemplate my father's passing, I think of his legacies that I have claimed as my own. From a boy breaking his father's record, to being a father myself and taking the legacy of faith I received from my father and passing it on my boys, I realize that many of the legacies I try to leave for my children are there because my father broke the chains.

Damon Grube - January 28, 2021 at 05:49 PM

JO

Top thanks for sharing that it was truly amazing and heart felt, I did not have the honor of meeting your father but I am privileged to know you and Tina – sending prayers, well wishes and thoughts to you and your family!

*All our best
The Oddo's*

Jimmy Oddo - January 29, 2021 at 05:49 PM

JF

“*James Williams and family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Dale Lee Grube.*”



James Williams and family - January 28, 2021 at 05:32 PM

CC

“ 21 files added to the tribute wall



Casey Clifford - January 28, 2021 at 01:55 PM

CC

I like/love everyone's pictures and comments (I am not on facebook for an array of reasons). Looking forward to catching up with friends and family this spring, with love -Casey

Casey Clifford - January 28, 2021 at 02:25 PM

TM

“ Thanks for being the world's best grandpa. Love you always. 💕



Taylor Minix - January 28, 2021 at 11:57 AM

BS

“ 100 files added to the tribute wall



Brenda Stone - January 28, 2021 at 11:08 AM

MC

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Melissa Clifford - January 28, 2021 at 10:42 AM

PL

“ Dale and Dorothy has been close friends since we were in school in North Judson, and Dale will be missed. So sorry to hear of his passing, but we know he loved the Lord and is in a better place. Condolences to his family and friends.
Love and Prayers, Pauline Weninger Lawhorne

Pauline Lawhorne - January 28, 2021 at 10:18 AM