



Donald Ouwenga

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Services for Donald Ouwenga, 88, of Longview will be held at 10a.m. Tuesday, February 17, at Trinity Baptist Church in Longview. Burial will follow in Oak Hill Cemetery, Oak Hill, Texas. He died February 13, 2009 at a local nursing home.

Donald was born March 20, 1920 in Alsip, Illinois. he and his older brother Clarence, owned and operated the family vegetable farm in Blue Island, Illinois before moving to Manteno, Illinois in 1958. He continued vegetable farming until moving to Longview, Texas in 1970. Growing tomatoes was his specialty. He then raised cattle and later worked for Texas Utilities before retiring. He was a devout Christian and a member of Trinity Baptist Church.

Donald was preceded in death by his wife of 42 years, Hilda Ouwenga; sister, Mildred Ouwenga; brother, James Ouwenga; grandson, Mark Allen Ouwenga; and stepgranddaughter, Christine Linndow Wadlington.

He is survived by his present wife, Mary Ouwenga; son and daughter-in-law, Bob and Ginger Ouwenga of Findlay, Ohio; daughter and son-in-law, Marilyn and David Lindow of Longview, Texas; son and daughter-in-law, David and Rhonda Ouwenga of Overton, Texas; grandchildren, Karen and Carol Ouwenga of Findlay, Ohio; Erik and wife Holly Lindow of Longview, Texas; Alan and wife Misty of Lindow of Hallsville, Texas; and Nathan Ouwenga of Overton, Texas; and eight great-grandchildren.



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Anonymous posted:

My sincere condolences to the entire Ouwenga family. In this sad time may you find strength from God's promise to reunite us with our loved ones by means of a resurrection, and as the days go by may you also continue to find comfort in the love and support of family and friends.##imported-begin##Bethanie Duncan##imported-end##

February 16 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Don was my daughter, Rhonda's father in law & I first met him in 1985, the year when she & David married. My first memories of him was his kind & caring personality. He loved people & was a great Christian man. I was always impressed that his farm in Illinois which he operated before retirement, supplied vegetables for the great Campbell's Soup Company. I was blessed to know him & I appreciate Don for the values that he taught my son in law.##imported-begin##Murl Edwards White##imported-end##

February 15 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

I have some great memories of my grandpa. I used to help him plant corn and harvest it. I used to sit with him on the porch and talk. I'll miss you Grandpa. I love you!Love,Nathan Ouwenga##imported-begin##Nathan##imported-end##

February 14 at 7:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Mary and family, We all loved Don's tomatoes and stopped in late September 2002 knowing our chances of them still producing was very slim. I will always remember how hard Don searched for that little hand full of small tomatoes, and will always be grateful he took the time and energy to find them because they were the last tomatoes Bobby had before his death. Don was a good man and we will all miss him. God Bless you all,##imported-begin##Nell Raper##imported-end##

February 14 at 7:00 PM



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Anonymous posted:

Don was the best father in law. He was always laughing and telling stories of when he was small. He had some funny stories. I love you "Dad" and I know you are running in Heaven right now! Love, Rhonda daughter in law of Don Ouwenga##imported-begin##Rhonda##imported-end##

February 13 at 7:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Donald by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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