



Dorris E. Penrod

August 26, 1927 - October 13, 2020

Dorris E. Penrod, 93, of Dongola passed away at 12:15pm Tuesday, October 13, 2020 at the Illinois Veteran's Home in Anna.

He was born August 26, 1927 in Dongola to Ellis E. and Iva B. (Johnson) Penrod. He married Mary Elizabeth Hill on April 16, 1948. She preceded him in death on November 27, 2013.

Dorris grew up in Dongola working on the family farm from a very young age. He left to serve his country with the Army at the end of WWII. Dorris moved his young family to St. Louis to pursue a career at the National Stock Yards. Despite the distance, he went back to Dongola every weekend to run the family farm. He was an expert cattleman at the stockyards for 38 years. Dorris knew horses well, knew dogs well and knew people well. He had a long list of customers throughout Illinois and Missouri who valued his extensive knowledge of the livestock market and depended on that knowledge to buy and sell livestock. He was a colorful storyteller and we will all miss his funny sayings. His devotion to his wife and family was a true example of what a man should be. We truly have lost a real cowboy.

He is survived by his 2 daughters, Debra (Kenneth) Whitlow of House Springs, MO, Beth (Lawrence) Horvath of Bloomington; 6 grandchildren, Michael (Jen) Whitlow, Scott (Jodi) Whitlow, Cynthia (Tim) Hecht, Timothy

(Lisa) Whitlow, Elissa (Todd) Albert and Eric Horvath; 6 great-grandchildren, Kyle, Noah, Myla, Ava, Kayleigh and Hudson.

Besides his wife, Dorris was preceded in death by his parent and 2 sisters, Marella Kaufman and Mary Belle Morgan.

Family and friends are asked to gather for graveside funeral services at 11:00am on Saturday, October 17, 2020 at Friendship Cemetery with Jason Forby officiating. Military honors will be accorded by the Illinois Honor Guard and local veterans. Interment will take place at Friendship Cemetery. Family and friends are welcome to stay and visit at the graveside following the services and committal.

Crain Funeral Home in Dongola is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Friendship Cemetery

Dongola, IL

Previous Events

Graveside

OCT 17. 11:00 AM (CT)

Friendship Cemetery
Dongola, IL

Tribute Wall



“ *Dorris E. Penrod*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *I had the honor to help take care of this kind sweet man.... he made everyday a special one. I truly miss seeing and talking with my friend.*

Anna Johnson - October 19, 2020 at 08:05 PM



“ *My condolences to the family. He was a good friend to my husband, Jim Douglas, and we both valued his advice and friendship. He was tough, kind, and gentle all at the same time. Pen was a treasure and wil truly be missed. This world sorely needs men like him.*

Sandra Douglas - October 16, 2020 at 10:10 PM



“ *Dorris was a sweet and gentle man as well as a devoted husband. When Mary was in Union County Nursing Home, Dorris was there every day. He would go to the cafeteria and eat lunch and the staff would sit down with him. Dorris would share stories with me of times past since I was from Dongola and he knew my dad's family. What an interesting man! May God comfort and give you perfect peace during this time and in the days ahead.*

Toni Capel, Sandia Park, NM

Toni Capel - October 16, 2020 at 10:28 AM



“ *Rose Impression Casket Spray was purchased for the family of Dorris E. Penrod.*



October 15, 2020 at 02:23 PM



“ *There are so many memories - to many to write. One particular - since the Roses Are so pretty -in front of their home were beautiful red roses. He would ALWAYS pick some and give them to me. He's shared so many family memories - he was the very sweetest man ever. Tough but so tender too - we will sure miss him. Heaven sure holds another angel. ❤️*

Karen Kaufman - October 14, 2020 at 11:51 AM