



Wallie G. Breig

April 26, 1948 - October 15, 2020

Wallie G. Breig, 72, of Perryville, Missouri died peacefully at his home Thursday, October 15, 2020 in Perryville, MO.

He was born April 26, 1948 in Perryville, MO to George William and Roberta Agnes (Basler) Breig.

He and Barbara L. Wills were married on August 20, 1988 at St. Marys Catholic Church in Independence, MO. She survives in Perryville.

Wallie was a member of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church in Perryville and Toastmasters in St. Louis. Wallie served in the United States Coast Guard and was a member of the American Legion Post 133, Knights of Columbus Council 1263 and the Libertarian Party.

Wallie wore a coat of many colors throughout his life. A lifelong learner, Wallie loved to read and was well versed on many subjects. He enjoyed a good debate and could hold his own on many topics.

As a career economist for 33 years with the US Department of Labor he traveled extensively throughout the states collecting survey data used by the government for economic decisions. In retirement he published his annual economic forecast to friends and family and was always almost right.

Wallie loved to play cards. His greatest joy was to bluff his opponent into dropping their better hand. He would laugh and drag the pot.

In his younger days, Wallie developed quite a reputation for having too much fun. His motto was “I have to get older, but I don’t have to grow up”. Marriage to Barbara changed his perspective about growing up. He often said “she saved my life and gave me a new and better life”. His lakeside home at Lake Perry was his pride and joy having aided in the design of the living spaces built by Amish craftsmen.

Wallie was a gentle, kind and generous person. He loved all animals, but especially his cats who he gave special family names. He enjoyed canoeing and kayaking on the lake and swimming at the park center.

He loved his Catholic faith and practiced its tenets faithfully throughout his life. May God welcome him into heaven and give him a seat at the table, but be careful Lord, he could be bluffing.

Survivors include Sister, Dianna Breig Rindl of Perryville, MO; Brother in law and sister in law, Larry (Charolett) Wills of Lowry City, MO. He is also survived by cousins, many nieces, nephews, Godchildren and good friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents and Brother in law, Manfred Rindl.

Face Masks are required.

Visitation will be from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm on Tuesday, October 20, 2020 and on Wednesday from 9:00 am until 10:00 am at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church in Perryville.

Mass will be at 10:00 am Wednesday, October 21, 2020 at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church in Perryville with Rev. Joe Geders and Deacon John Darin officiating.

Burial will be at Mt. Hope Cemetery at a later date.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made in his name to the Humane Society of Southeast Missouri or St. Vincent De Paul Schools.

Online condolences may be made at www.fordandyoungfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

Hillview Memorial Gardens Crematory

Farmington, MO

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **20**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church
1000 Rosati Court
Perryville, MO 63775

Mass

OCT **21**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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1000 Rosati Court
Perryville, MO 63775

Tribute Wall



“ *I opened a used pocket Constitution of the United States from the Cato Institute and his business card was neatly tucked inside. RIP*

WILLIAM A APEL - January 25, 2024 at 12:58 PM



“ *Wallie G. Breig*

October 20, 2023 at 02:54 AM



“ *Wallie G. Breig*

October 20, 2023 at 01:44 AM



“ *Barb - so sorry to learn of Wallie's passing. I have fond memories of you both from our days in the RAY building. Condolences and prayers for comfort as you move forward.*

Charlie Meyer

charlie meyer - October 24, 2020 at 08:24 AM



“ *Wallie was a good friend and wonderful Godfather to our son. I always thought Wallie and Barbie were meant for each other. Even though we only talked a few times a year, he will be missed by our family. Barbie, your on my mind constantly. I am so sad for you but you are a strong lady. God bless. Rest in peace, Wallie. I hope you know I loved you.*

Elizabeth Base - October 23, 2020 at 10:39 PM

LM

“ *Barb, I just heard about your husband. I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Laurie Moonier

Laurie Moonier - October 22, 2020 at 11:52 AM

ES

“ *Barb, I just heard of your loss. I am so sorry. May God be with you and give you the comfort you need. I've been reading through the memories. Wallie was obviously loved by many. God bless you and keep you.*

Elaine Stoll - October 20, 2020 at 03:47 PM

GK

“ *Gary and Susan Keller purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Wallie G. Breig.*



Gary and Susan Keller - October 19, 2020 at 01:35 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Wallie G. Breig.*



October 19, 2020 at 10:22 AM

AR

“ Auntie Joyce & Rhonda purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Wallie G. Breig.



Auntie Joyce & Rhonda - October 18, 2020 at 09:18 PM

DT

“ Barb, I am so sorry for your loss. The news was so shocking and heartbreaking. I hope knowing that Wallie is no longer in pain and the cherished memories together will bring you comfort. Our loss but heaven's gain. Wallie is forever in your heart and will be watching over you until you are reunited in eternal life. Sending hugs and my deepest condolences to you, the fur babies, and family.

Detra Thomas - October 18, 2020 at 01:17 AM

AS

“ It really broke my heart to hear the sad news from Barbara, they really loved each other and had a special marriage. He will be missed. I will miss his dry humor and his financial forecasts. So long big guy! You take care now of the fun stuff up there and we'll take care of her down here.



Aidea M Sluyter - October 17, 2020 at 11:44 PM

RZ

“ Robert, Aidea and Zaida purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Wallie G. Breig.



Robert, Aidea and Zaida - October 17, 2020 at 11:38 PM

DB

“ Never met a man as nice as Wally. He was always so kind to me and my family, and a great neighbor. We liked to walk to his house and admire his vegetable garden. Since Wally and Barb moved to Perryville Gail and I mostly met up with them at birthday lunches. We loved to talk with Wally because he was very knowledgeable and well read, which he used to form some great opinions.

I know he was a religious man, and humble. His corporal pain is gone now, and for that I am happy, but he left us too soon. Life is short, so I will see you soon, dearest friend, Wally.

Don Bradford - October 17, 2020 at 08:13 PM

GB

*Wallie was such a kind soul with a quick dry sense of humor. You had listen closely so as not to miss anything . We Loved being with you, really enjoying our last cruise together , not realizing that would be our Last vacation together . I know the Lord took you too soon from us but He had a reason. Your pain is gone now -forever! And you can keep everyone up there entertained like you did us!
We miss you , Wallie and promise to do our best to take care of Barbara, your loving wife. We're not cat people , but will open our hearts to them , too!*

Gail Bradford - October 17, 2020 at 09:38 PM

WB

I really enjoyed the time on the road I spent with Wallie, when we were both with the Labor Department. So sorry to hear about his passing. He was a gentle man.

William Britt - October 22, 2020 at 04:19 PM

JA

“ *Jessica Wills Aitken purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Wallie G. Breig.*



Jessica Wills Aitken - October 17, 2020 at 06:23 PM

GN

“ *Barb, I was so sad to hear of Wallie's passing. I hope you and Wallie had some great times together in your beautiful new house in Perryville and that you have some good memories of your life together that will comfort you in these hard times. Thinking of you.*

Gary and Chris Newman

Gary Lee Newman - October 17, 2020 at 05:49 PM

KS

“ *Barb, I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you and Wallie's family.*

Karen Steyer - October 17, 2020 at 03:31 PM

MP

“ Wallie and I were canoeing with a group of friends on the Current River. We were turned around and going down the river backwards. We noticed all the other canoes were going toward the bank but we were unable to get there. We found out the reason for their decision when we hit the rapids. When we made it through without turning over, one man commented that he had never seen anyone go through the rapids backwards. Wallie replied with his dry wit, "We've had more practice going this way." Sure am going to miss my great card playing and swimming buddy.

Mick Paulus - October 17, 2020 at 12:16 PM

AN

“ Barb, I was so shocked to hear the news of Wallie's death. You have my deepest sympathies. Stay strong. Angela catalano

angela - October 17, 2020 at 11:43 AM

VZ

“ Barb, I am so sorry to hear of Wallie's unexpected passing. He was a kind, thoughtful, soft-spoken, and witty man. He had a dry, but wonderful sense of humor and could make a conversation thought-provoking and humorous at the same time. He was a man who had a generosity of spirit and will be sorely missed. I know he was the love of your life and my thoughts and prayers are with you, my friend. Vida

Vida Zavich - October 16, 2020 at 09:09 PM

SM

“ Barb, I've know Wallie forever, being with Dianna over the yrs. He was a very thoughtful & caring person. He would do anything to help someone out. He, Manny & Bill went boating a few times. The last time was with Shelbi (our granddaughter) also. She had such a good time. He was loved by many. Hugs & prayers.
Sheila (Bill) Martens

sheila martens - October 16, 2020 at 06:29 PM

FA

“ Barbara and Dianna, we extend our deepest sympathy to both of you for the lost you have suffered. You will be remembered in our thoughts and prayer. Wallie will never be forgotten by myself and my brothers. We were neighbors and my mother helped Mrs. Breig out when she had fallen. Wallie sent a Christmas plant to my mother for several years. Then when she fell and broke her hip there was a dozen of beautiful yellow roses that came to her room -- it was Wallie. So Wallie will be remembered by us, that is for sure. May you RIP, Wallie. Faye & Zeno Amschler and Ken and Joyce Gibbar.



Faye C Amschler - October 16, 2020 at 05:26 PM

JW

Wallie was kind, generous and considerate. We will miss him terribly.
Jerry and Kathy Wienberg

Jerry Wienberg - October 17, 2020 at 10:43 AM

JP

Barb and Dianna, so sorry to hear of the passing of both Wallie and Manny. Both very good men and will be missed. Family reunions will never be the same. I know both of your hearts are broken and I feel so sorry for both of you.

June Petit - October 17, 2020 at 12:34 PM

LC

Barb I'm still lost for words over your lost of Wallie. Just the day before I was taking Mike to the doctor and both of you came up in our conversation, talking about our last visit with you two. Mike was so shock when I told him. You and Dianna have lost so much and our hearts go out to you both. Praying for peace and comfort during the days to come.

Laura Carroll - October 17, 2020 at 05:19 PM