



Larry Wayne Dillon

July 4, 1935 - May 9, 2023

Larry Wayne Dillon, 87, of Grand Island passed away on May 9, 2023 at Primrose Retirement Community. Visitation will be on Monday, May 15th from 3-7 pm at Blessed Sacrament Church with a vigil service starting at 7 pm. The Funeral service will be held on Tuesday, May 16th at 10:30 am, also at Blessed Sacrament Church. Father Marty Egging will officiate. All Faiths Funeral Home is entrusted with arrangements.

Larry was born on July 4, 1935 in Buda (just outside of Kearney), NE to Lawrence and Angela (Miller) Dillon. He was raised and received his education in Silver Creek, graduating from Silver Creek High School in 1954. He received his teaching degree from the University of Nebraska. On June 21, 1958 he was united in marriage to Margaret Moeller in Kenesaw, NE. Five children were blessed into this union. They made their home in Salem and Boelus where he taught and coached before moving to Grand Island. He taught at Phillips, NE and then began teaching boys' physical education at Walnut Junior High. He also coached football, wrestling and track throughout his teaching career. He retired in 1996.

Larry was a member of Blessed Sacrament Church and the Platt Deutsche. He enjoyed Husker football, refereeing, playing cards, going for walks, traveling, wintering in South Padre, and spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren.

Those left to cherish his memory are his daughters, Kelly Lesiak of Fullerton and Karey (Keith) Killion of Grand Island; 3 sons, Dan of Billerica, MA, Wayne

(Dorothy) of Altamonte Springs, FL and Jeff (Laurie) of Olathe, KS; his brother Mike (Donna) Dillon of Lincoln and sister Cathy (Doug) Lamberty of North Platte. Those also left to cherish his memory are his grandchildren, Maggie, Makenzie, Kyle, Dani, Cole, Casey (Jenna), Kirby (Molly), Amanda (Josh), Falyn, Kylie, Jake and Matthew; great grandchildren, Maddux, Beckett, Coby, Addie, Emmie, Fletcher & Thayn.

Larry was preceded in death by his wife of 49 years, Margaret; his parents, son-in-law, Kenny Lesiak, sister, Gloria Piper; and brother, Roger (Butch) Dillon and stepmother, Judy.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to the family for later designation.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 15. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church
518 W State St
Grand Island, NE 68801-3552
(308) 384-0532

Vigil Service

MAY 15. 7:00 PM - 7:30 PM (CT)

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Service

MAY 16. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

KM

“ I’m so sorry I didn’t get a card sent when Coach Dillon passed almost one year ago. My boys, Jeremy & Eric Buckner, were both fortunate to be coached by Mr Dillon. He was always a great supporter to them and always asked me how they were doing and my daughter. When Jeremy passed at age 27, Mr Dillon reached out to me. Grieving is hard work, and I wanted you to know your dad made a difference in the lives of many. Many blessings and sympathy. Love. Kim Mettenbrink

kim mettenbrink - April 25, 2024 at 10:11 AM



“ Larry Wayne Dillon

October 08, 2023 at 11:02 PM

JL

“ Coach Dillion was one exceptional human being. We were so lucky to have him in our lives. He was responsible for making grand island senior high wrestling the champions they became. I’m sure he is dancing in heaven. Just loved that teacher/coach.

jim lahowetz - May 29, 2023 at 10:59 PM

BD

“ my thoughts & prayers go out to the Dillon family! Coach you are a legacy to all the peoples life's you impacted , thanks for all the advice on & off the wrestling mat ,in Gym class and those car trips home after practice you will be truly missed, God bless R.I.P.

Bob DesLaurier - May 16, 2023 at 07:38 AM

DE

“ So sorry to hear about coach Dillons passing. He was my 9th grade physical education teacher and my 9th grade football coach. God all the family and friends of coach Dillon. Rest in peace coach, I will never forget you. Dean Einspahr

Dean Einspahr - May 14, 2023 at 08:48 PM

EA

“ So sorry for your loss. Larry was my PE teacher when he lived in Boelus. Had my older brothers on his football team. Then he taught my kids at Walnut and they loved having him for a teacher too. He was a very caring and loving man. May he RIP.

Esther Adams - May 12, 2023 at 06:24 PM

RJ

“ Condolences to the Dillon family! First met the coach at Walnut back in the late 60's. Always enjoyed running into him and chatting about the old times. Great man!! He will be missed. RIP Coach!

Randy Johnson - May 12, 2023 at 11:46 AM

LK

“ Love- Kam, Lily, Jo, & Kell purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Larry Wayne Dillon.



Love- Kam, Lily, Jo, & Kell - May 12, 2023 at 09:41 AM

JG

“ sorry to hear of larrys passing. we were friends in college at nebraska. he loved to play cards with several of my other friends we lived in the dorm and he lived off campus so he came a lot to the card games. when he was at walnut he taught right next to my mother in laws house and she would keep up to date on his activities. he well be missed

JACK GLADFELTER - May 10, 2023 at 04:45 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Larry Wayne Dillon.



May 09, 2023 at 07:54 PM