



Melvin "Bud" Monroe Edwards

February 27, 1928 - May 19, 2017

Melvin "Bud" Monroe Edwards, 89, of Grand Island formerly of the Ord area, passed away Friday, May 19, 2017.

Mass of Christian burial will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at St. Leo's Catholic Church in Grand Island. Burial will be in Westlawn Memorial Park Cemetery with military honors provided by the United States Army and Grand Island Honor Guard.

Bud was born February 27, 1928 in Ord to John and Bertha (Meese) Edwards. He was raised in the Ord area and graduated from Rock Rapids High School in Iowa.

On November 3, 1950 he entered the United States Army serving during the Korean War. He was released from active military service after being wounded in action in Kumsong, Korea in 1952. Bud received several medals including the Purple Heart, Silver Star and Bronze Service Star. His military service was important to Bud and he was involved in Veterans' of Foreign Wars, American Legion, Disabled American Veterans and the Military Order of the Purple Heart.

An over the road truck driver for Chief Industries and Pepsi Co., Bud worked hard and enjoyed wood working, gardening, assisting others with their projects and volunteering with the VA. As a devout member of the Catholic Church his passion became making rosaries after retirement. Bud was devoted to contributing these rosaries to several countries in Africa in hopes of enriching the lives of children.

Survivors of the immediate family include his children, Jesse (Shorty) Huffman of Rio Rancho, NM, Echo (Victor) Sanchez of Alliance, Michael Edwards of Grand Island, Sandy Moberg of Kearney, Lisa Hartzel of Colfax, NC, Linda Edwards of Staley, NC and Amy Edwards of Juliette, NC; sisters, Eulalia Edwards of Ord and Bernadette DeNoyer of San Jose, CA; seventeen grandchildren, numerous great- grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; son, Timothy Edwards; sisters, Corrine Lloyd, Cleora Boeker and Permilla Wubbena; son-in-law, Don Moberg and brother-in-law, Leonard Edwards.

Memorials are suggested to organizations that were dear to Bud, Disabled American Veterans or Military Order of the Purple Heart.

Cemetery Details

Westlawn Memorial Park

Grand Island, NE

Previous Events

Mass of Christian Burial

MAY 24. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Leo's Catholic Church

Tribute Wall



“ *Melvin "Bud" Monroe Edwards*

October 08, 2023 at 11:02 PM



“ *Sandy Moberg lit a candle in memory of Melvin "Bud" Monroe Edwards*



Sandy Moberg - May 19, 2021 at 05:07 PM



“ *Echo Edwards-Sanchez lit a candle in memory of Melvin "Bud" Monroe Edwards*



Echo Edwards-Sanchez - June 02, 2017 at 07:49 PM



“ *My dad was my hero. He was there with me and for me through many ups and downs. Whenever I needed him, he showed up for whatever reason. I remember the first time he ever called me for help. He had a flat tire on Capital Avenue. I remember being so excited that I could finally do something for him after all he done for me.*

My dad was also a very quiet man. In high school there was an issue that he trusted and believed in what I told him. It was pretty much at that point that I just loved him more. But it was very hard to say the words for both of us. Sadly enough comma I had to have a few drinks in me to say that to my dad. And after the first few times, I realized that if I wanted him to believe me I had to say it sober. And so I started doing so. It was quite a while before he said the words back instead of yeah or okay.

We became very close from that time on and depended on each other and spent time visiting, riding around and going out to eat.

I always thought it odd to hear older kids call their dad, daddy. But since his passing, it has come out of my mouth numerous times when I talk to him. My memories are many. My memories are of love. My memories are of "my daddy". I love you.

Echo Edwards-Sanchez - June 02, 2017 at 07:46 PM

JD

“ I was glad I could share a short visit with him just a couple of weeks ago.

Before I left I asked for one last hug, which he gave to me not knowing that would be our last one.

I guess God has a plan for each of us.

I know now he will be reunited with our family and catch up on all the things that is happening with them.

Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to all the family but he lived well, and I was very proud of him.

Love you brother

Your Sister Bing

Jim & Bing DeNoyer - May 22, 2017 at 10:21 AM



I love that story, Bing. So glad you shared. Keep me posted as to when you come to NE, and will make every effort to see you.

Echo Edwards-Sanchez - June 02, 2017 at 07:53 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Melvin "Bud" Monroe Edwards.



May 20, 2017 at 05:30 PM