



Raymond Leo Dooley

February 27, 1932 - October 18, 2024

Raymond Leo Dooley, aged 92, of Coon Rapids, passed away on October 18, 2024. Born on February 27, 1932, Ray, always with a smile, was a man of many interests, including managing a hobby farm in Zimmerman where he enjoyed showing horses and participating in parades. An active member of the Twin Cities Model-A Ford Club and as a square dancer, he often appeared on local TV broadcasts with his wife, Lyla. A self-taught guitarist, Ray played country-western music, performing at local jam sessions and entertaining residents at a senior living facility. His talents extended to woodworking, earning him ribbons at both the Minnesota State Fair and the Aitkin County Fair.

He dedicated 35 years of his career as a furniture delivery driver with Dayton's Department Store, where he received several awards for safe driving. He was a member of the Bethesda Lutheran Church of Malmo.

Raymond was blessed with family. He is survived by his wife of 75 years, Lyla; son, Timothy Dooley; grandchildren, Jason Dooley, Danette Danner, Cherilyn Yeager, Jermaine Dooley, Brandon Dooley, Brandi Dooley, and Tiffanie Dooley; great-grandchildren, Kacia, Karisa, Aden, Avery, Christian, Emmarie, Ella, Ryleigh, Kaylee, Tristan, Alexis and Aaliyah; and a great-great-grandson, Santana. He was preceded in death by his sons, Russell and Donald; parents, Harry and Adele; and brothers, Harry Jr. and Richard.

A memorial service will be held at 11 AM on November 4, 2024, at Bethesda Lutheran Church of Malmo, with visitation one hour prior. Interment for Ray

and his son Rusty will follow at Malmo Cemetery, with luncheon to follow.

Tribute Wall



“ So sorry, we just found out about Ray's passing. We have so many good memories of our A Trips. He was a good guy. Jim & Gail

Jim & Gail Peters - February 22, 2025 at 11:23 AM