



Eugene "Spade" D. Sweetalla

February 22, 1941 - July 9, 2019

Eugene D. (Spade) Sweetalla, age 78, of Waupaca, passed away silently on Tuesday, July 9th, 2019. He was born in Town of St. Lawrence, Waupaca Co., WI on February 22, 1941, he was the son of the late Claude and Irma (Pomrening) Sweetalla.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Army and had served in the Vietnam War. Years ago, Spade had been married to Nancy (Poppy) Johnson and they had two children together. Spade was many things to many people. He was a friend who could talk about old cars for hours on end. He was the "little" brother of all his older siblings and treasured the time they spent together. He was a neighbor who would snow plow others driveways when there was too much snow. He was a father who always took the time to say "Love you" at the end of every phone call. He was an uncle who grew up with his nephews and nieces and enjoyed going to car shows, bar hopping, boating and meeting Friday night for a fish fry. You would often find him cruising around Waupaca in his '63 Corvette. Finally, the job he treasured most was spending time with his three grandsons, playing in the back yard, boating and showing the boys all of his old cars. Family, friends, old cars, Sunday drives and his puppy all gave his life meaning and enjoyment. He lived the life he wanted and on his own terms till he quietly left us during the middle of the night.

Survivors include his Children: Tammy (Rick) Radloff, Wausau, WI; Scott (Amanda) Sweetalla, West Des Moines, IA; Grandchildren: Noah Radloff, Wausau, WI; Isaac Radloff, Wausau, WI; Brennon Sweetalla, West Des Moines, IA; Sisters: Veloise Kuhnke, Cheyenne, WY; Betty Krenke, Fremont, WI; Brother: Gary (Madlyn) Sweetalla, Kaukauna, WI. He was preceded in death by his parents, brothers - Darwin, Delvin, Claude Jr. and Gerald, and a sister - Mariette Dineen.

Funeral Services will be held at the Holly Funeral Home in Waupaca at 11 AM on Saturday, July 13th, 2019, with Rev. Dr. Charles Tews, officiating. Interment will be at Badger Cemetery, Town Lanark, Portage Co., WI Visitation will be held on Saturday, from 9 AM until the time of the service at the Holly Funeral Home in Waupaca.

Events

JUL Visitation 09:00AM - 11:00AM

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A. J. Holly & Sons (Waupaca)

526 S. Main St P.O. Box 254, Waupaca, WI, US, 54981

JUL Funeral Service 11:00AM

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Comments



“ Tammy and Scott, Noah, Isaac and Brennen, I'm so sorry for your loss. I never knew Spade but I knew he was a good and loving Dad and Grandad from the stories I heard. May God hold you close and may you take comfort from all f those wonderful memories.

Ellen Segersin - July 12 at 10:39 PM



“ We knew the whole Sweetalla Family and what a wonderful family it is! We are so sorry to hear of "Spades" passing and are sending our sympathies to the remaining family members. Gordy and Kathy Hansen.

Kathy Hansen - July 12 at 11:13 AM



“ Dave & Janet Yonke lit a candle in memory of Eugene "Spade" D. Sweetalla



Dave & Janet Yonke - July 12 at 09:15 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Eugene "Spade" D. Sweetalla.



July 11 at 11:38 PM



“ Mark And Sharon Rasmussen lit a candle in memory of Eugene "Spade" D. Sweetalla



Mark and Sharon Rasmussen - July 11 at 09:41 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Eugene "Spade" D. Sweetalla.



July 11 at 12:34 PM



“ There were few girls in Waupaca in the 60's that didn't want a ride in Spade's candy apple red car. He was a friend to so many people. A memorable person. My sympathy to his family.

Lanae Carroll - July 10 at 11:02 PM



“ I can remember Spade driving past the HS in his car. Such a nice person he was. I'm sure he left behind many happy memories . To the family, may you find peace knowing he is suffering no more



Cathy Nelson - July 10 at 02:32 PM



“ Janice Jensen lit a candle in memory of Eugene "Spade" D. Sweetalla



Janice Jensen - July 10 at 02:16 PM



“ Deepest Sympathy to the Sweetalla Family. Tammy and Scott are his pride and joy, however those 3 grandsons stole his heart. Spade was an icon growing up in Waupaca in the 60's. His beautiful car's that just purred was the envy of all. Our family will miss you Spade, thank you all the wonderful memories. Al & Pat Hogan and family

Pat Alm Hogan - July 10 at 02:16 PM



“ I remember, about a year ago or so, he came into the Citgo station in Waupaca and asked if someone could give his car a jump. I said, sure buddy, where is it? He laughed and said, in the carwash. First time I ever pulled into a carwash from the exit side, and I had to pull all the way in. We both laughed.

Tom Shustack - July 10 at 02:09 PM