



## Douglas Garfield Hodel

February 24, 2013

Funeral services will be held at 5:30 p.m. Sunday, February 24, 2013 at Holy Cross Lutheran Church on Clearwater Road in St. Cloud for Doug Hodel, age 67, who died Wednesday at the St. Cloud Hospital. Relatives and friends may call from 3:00 – 5:30 p.m. at the Church on Sunday. Doug was born on a farm in Albany, MN to Garfield and Viola (Lietz) Hodel. He graduated from Albany High School in 1963 and immediately went into the Air Force. Doug married his first wife, Lois and they later divorced. He had 2 daughters, Kim Wunderlich and Michelle Hodel. Doug married Sharon Mick on April 12, 1986. Together they bought a farm and fulfilled all of their dreams. He was a very passionate person. Doug was a truck driver and he excelled at it. He really hit his stride when he was hired by the St. Cloud Technical College to teach people how to drive a semi. He drove for Fingerhut, Nash Finch and Stonecrafters. Doug was also passionate about his Herefords and his 2-Cylinder John Deeres. He loved auctions that had John Deeres and had purchased the John Deere of his choice to make farming easier. Doug loved all animals; his dog Jake could be found in his vehicles wherever he went. Survivors include his wife and best friend, Sharon. They spent many hours just sitting and visiting. They cherished that time together. He is also survived by his children, Kim (Tommy) Wunderlich, Michelle Hodel; step-children, Betty (Glenn) Johnson and Peggy (Doug) Brink both of Cold Spring, Scott (Shay) Benoit and Doug (Mamiko) Benoit both of Port Orchard, WA; grandchildren, Alissa and Kayla Wunderlich, Jesse Johnson, Brooke (Dustin) Hesse, Jaren

Brink, Hannah Brink, Kristy, Matthew, Stephen Benoit, Andrew and Rachel Benoit; brother, Gene (Joyce) Hodel; godson, Eric (Debbie) Hodel. He was preceded in death by his parents. He was a great conversationalist and storyteller. He will be missed by many.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Douglas Garfield Hodel*

January 29, 2023 at 09:26 AM



“ *Kim & family, my deepest sympathies to all of you .*

**Lynn Jarmuzek** - February 25, 2013 at 10:40 AM



“ *To Doug's Family,  
I worked with Doug at Fingerhut and enjoyed many trips with him.  
He was a great guy to work beside; Doug never complained, was a  
very good driver and had a great sense of humor! We will remember  
him as a genuine, gentle and down to earth guy! May memories and  
God's hands hold you together during this difficult time.  
Ron and Lynn Schneider*

**Ron and Lynn Schneider** - February 23, 2013 at 02:09 PM



“ *Sharon and Family;  
Doug will be greatly missed by all of us at Stonecrafters, He was a  
great employee and also a great friend to all of at Stonecrafters, it is  
so sad that this has to happen a fine man, He never missed talking  
to all of us, He is also missed at the warehouse of Room & Board  
where all looked forward to seeing him and his great humor that  
inspired all of us, so thankful that Kathi saw the truck in the ditch  
and called me, so we could be with him at the accident and also that  
Kathi could be with you at the hospital at the time of your great loss  
and our loss, he will be missed.*

**Vern Salzl** - February 22, 2013 at 07:22 PM

BH

“ Sharon, Kim and Michelle, Doug and I extend our heartfelt sympathy to each of you. It was always nice to see you in church together. He will be missed by many. We pray the love of Christ will give you comfort and peace during this difficult time. Doug and Barb

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**Barb Hertling** - February 22, 2013 at 10:32 AM

JF

“ Kim and Michelle, so sorry to hear about your dad

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**Jenny Fyle** - February 22, 2013 at 10:27 AM

JJ

“ Sharon and family,  
We were totally shocked to see that Doug passed away. Like Jim says, he really enjoyed talking to Doug the few times he saw him with his sharp wit and great smile. He was truly a great man to know him. We will keep your family in our prayers.

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**Jim and Elaine Jost** - February 22, 2013 at 10:01 AM

RS

“ Sharon and family,  
Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to you in Doug's loss. This news is still hard to believe as true. As Toni mentioned, one of the things I will always remember is how big Doug smiled when I complimented him on how spiffy he looked and how good he smelled, when he was going to take you out to dinner one night. He sure did love you! He was a wonderful person, and we were very glad to know him! You will be in our thoughts and prayers!

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**Rob and Brenda Schoenecker** - February 22, 2013 at 08:34 AM

TH

“ Sharon and Family:

*We are so so very saddened to hear this awful news. Doug was such a spectacular person, and loved by many. The girls talk all the time about their visits to the farm, and Doug letting them feed the calfs. I will miss his spectacular smile and his great smelling neck... oh man did he smell good. We Love you Sharon, please call if there is ANYTHING we can do for you.*

*Love:*

*Scott, Toni, Donna and Ava Honer*

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**Toni Honer** - February 21, 2013 at 07:50 PM

LL

“ *Oh Sharon, I am so sorry. LeRoy and I are praying. It's so sad -- I just don't know what to say other than we will miss Doug and pray God gives you peace and strength.*

*Friends Forever*

*Lucy and LeRoy*

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**Lucy Leabch** - February 21, 2013 at 07:23 PM