



James "RED" Neary, Jr.

July 29, 1939 - August 18, 2022

James D. "RED" Neary, Jr., age 83, passed away peacefully surrounded by his family August 18, 2022. He was born July 29, 1939 in Toledo to James and Elsie (Heiser) Neary; he was a caddie for many years at the Inverness Club. Red proudly served his country in the United States Air Force during the Korean War and earned his high school diploma while enlisted. He worked at the Chevy plant, in Toledo, from 1961 to 1966. After his time at Chevy, he went to work at A-1 Schmidlin where he earned his HVAC degree in trade school. He was a proud member of the Union.

Red was an avid gardener; his garden was open to everyone - "hot peppers street side, help yourself." Red became an AA legend after his 44 years of sobriety..... 11/11/77. In AA, Red helped a huge number of people on their journey. He loved to say, "100 people call me Jimmie, 1000 people call me Red"; and "there are only two kinds of music, Country and Western." He enjoyed spending time with his granddaughters in the McDonalds play place, and in his vegetable and flower gardens.

Red is survived by his daughters Lisa (Jeff) Meyers and Carol (Gene) Ledesma; granddaughter Andrea Meyers; great grandchildren Arianna and Adalena Morris, Arron and Alexxa Heft; his first wife Bonnie (Holley) Sibberson, and his long time friend Connie Giauque. Red was the oldest of 10 siblings, 5 of which survive him: Robbie (Dee) Neary, Carol (Bud) Falke, Danny (Paula) Neary, Mike (Laurie) Neary, Kathy (Bob) Martin, and his in-laws Jeanne Neary, David Langendorfer, Sr., and Jill Neary along with numerous

nieces, nephews and his many friends of Bill W.

Red was preceded in death by his parents; his wife Sally Neary; granddaughter Amanda Meyers, and siblings Ronnie Neary, Susan Langendorfer, Mickey Circle, and Pat Neary.

There will be a Celebration of Life, for Red, on Sunday September 11, 2022 at The Pinnacle; 1772 Indianwood Circle, Maumee OH from 3:00 - 6:00 p.m. where Military Honors will take place at 4:00 p.m. The Coyle Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements. Memorial contributions can be made in memory of Red, to the Toledo Humane Society or the charity of the donor's choice. Please view Red's memorial video and leave a condolence message for the family at CoyleFuneralHome.com.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

SEP 11. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM.

Inactive - the Pinnacle

Tribute Wall



“ I'll miss you, Uncle Red! Thank you for loving my Aunt Sally so well and so long! You were always so honest, loving and down to Earth. Larger than life and creative. Decked out to the max for Christmas and St. Patty's Day. Creative and innovative (I'm talking the world's first selfie's stick, well before its time). You touched so many lives, and I'm so grateful for yours! Rest easy, Red! Emily (Rogers) Dill

Mike Dill - September 10, 2022 at 04:23 PM

TP

“ Red always helped the Newcomer by saying encouraging words to them. His dedication to meetings and soonsorship helped many folks theough dozens of years. Red lived in my neighborhood and I always smiled while passing his house. He will forever live in my heart. ❤️

Tina Penn - September 10, 2022 at 11:19 AM

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COYLE FUNERAL HOME VIDEOS - September 07, 2022 at 01:59 PM

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JL

“ A big thanks to Red's family for sharing him with AA all these years. He helped so many people along the way including me. RIP Red. Always loved him in his Santa hat at the Mens Sahara Luncheon.



Joseph Laplante - September 06, 2022 at 10:20 PM

JR

“ Jim Roper lit a candle in memory of James "RED" Neary, Jr.



Jim Roper - September 05, 2022 at 02:01 PM

CF

“ Red and I had a blast at many weekend conferences and chatted about "news" in the paper on Sundays at the downtown group. Such a funny and interesting pal to all. He could turn any negative into a positive. Bless his family.

Cheri Fisher - September 04, 2022 at 10:23 PM

SS

“ Red chewed me out and helped me grow. Loved our pizza nights on Friday's. He taught me many things in many ways. You still come out of my mouth when I share experiences. Thank you my friend.

Sue S - September 04, 2022 at 08:43 PM

CO

“ Red saved my life. A debt I can never fully repay

Coop - September 04, 2022 at 10:33 AM

JR

Red was the best big brother a boy could ask for! He showed up to every football game or wrestling meet . We would talk for hours on telephone when I was a teenager. Thank you Red for always being there. Love you. Jim Roper

Jim Roper - September 04, 2022 at 01:35 PM

CG

Red, Thank you for choosing me as your "special friend". Your love was always there for me, and one time you told me that I knew more about you than anyone else. We could sit for hours sharing "secrets" I love you with all my being, and my love for my for you will never lessen nor fade away! Thank you baby, Love your girlfriend Connie

Connie Giauque - September 05, 2022 at 04:22 PM