

*Obit. - Mealy, Jerome J
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Jerome J. Mealy

March 28, 1954 – Dec. 7, 2008

Jerome J. Mealy, 54, of Eagle, passed away Sunday, Dec. 7, 2008, from complications following a heart attack in Honolulu, Hawaii, while vacationing with his wife, Karen.

Jerry was born on March 28, 1954, in Waukesha, the son of the late Kenneth and Helen (nee Bremser) Mealy. He graduated from Mukwonago High School in 1972 and attended Milwaukee Area Technical College, where he obtained his degree in funeral service. Jerry started his career in funeral service working for Brett Funeral Home in Milwaukee and then for Randle-Dable Funeral Home in Waukesha prior to becoming the owner/operator of his family's funeral home in Eagle in 1982.

Jerry was a volunteer firefighter and former emergency medical technician for 37 years for the Eagle Fire Department, where he held positions of interim chief and assistant chief. He was a member of the Wisconsin Funeral Directors Association in both the South Central and Waukesha/Milwaukee districts. He served on the state board of representatives for the WFDA from 1998 to 2000, where he was instrumental in the establishment of the Waukesha/Milwaukee funeral directors association. Jerry was a board member for the South Central District from 1995 to 2000 and currently a board member of the Waukesha/Milwaukee District. He was a member of St. Theresa's Catholic Church in Eagle and was currently serving on the board of directors for Palmyra State Bank. He greatly enjoyed spending time with his granddaughters. He enjoyed bowling in the Thursday night men's league at Jay's Lanes in Mukwonago, deer hunting with his son and friends, spending weekends on his pontoon boat on Eagle Springs Lake, golfing and, most recently, taking his wife out for rides on his Harley-Davidson. He enjoyed collecting World War II memorabilia and had been looking forward to seeing Pearl Harbor while on vacation.

Jerry will be sadly missed by his loving wife, Karen (nee Ahl) of Eagle; children, Renee Mealy Johnson of Muskego and Curt (Stephanie) Mealy of Pewaukee; stepchildren, Kristy Moeller of Madison and Steven Moeller of Eagle; granddaughters, Haley and Ashley Johnson of Muskego; sister, Karen Matters of Eagle; father- and mother-in-law, Howard and Ann Ahl of New Berlin; sister-in-law, Debby (Mike) Geboy of Mukwonago; and his cousin, Charlotte Kuhl of Mukwonago. Jerry is further survived by nieces, nephews and his many friends.

Jerry was preceded in death by his parents and his brother-in-law, Thomas Matters.

Visitation will be held from 2 p.m. until 9 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 14, at Mealy's Funeral Home, 103 Eagle St., Eagle. A Mass of Christian burial will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Dec. 15, at St. Theresa's Catholic Church, 135 Waukesha Road, Eagle, with the Rev. Dennis Ackeret officiating. Burial will follow at St. Theresa's Catholic Cemetery in Eagle.

Those planning an expression of sympathy may wish to consider memorials to St. Theresa's Catholic Church or the Eagle Volunteer Fire Department.

Mealy's Funeral Home is assisting the family. For further information, please call 594-2442.

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