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Raduechel, Ralph

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**Ralph C. Raduechel**

June 17, 1934 - Oct. 5, 2011

Ralph C. Raduechel, 77, of Eagle, passed away Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2011, at Waukesha Memorial Hospital.



Ralph was born June 17, 1934, to the late Albert and Minna (Knuth) Raduechel. He was a lifelong resident of Eagle, graduating from Palmyra High School in 1952. He served in the U.S. Army from 1957 to 1959. Ralph married Elaine (Smart) Ritchey on Oct. 3, 1964.

He worked for Pett Construction for more than 40 years, as well as operating deer processing and landscaping businesses.

Ralph served as president for the village of Eagle, was a former trustee for the village board, and also served on the Eagle Volunteer Fire Department.

Ralph enjoyed horse-shoes and was instrumental in starting the Eagle Horseshoe League and its annual tournament. He was active in bowling and dartball for many years and was deeply committed to community service for the village of Eagle.

He is the cherished father of Charlene Ritchey of Brown Deer, Renee Raduechel of Waukesha, Roxanne (Torrence) Butler of Concord, Renata (Joseph) Furan of Jefferson and honorary son Michael (Patricia) West of Dousman; beloved grandfather of Tara, Raven, Britany and Zane Butler, Morgan and Taylor Kuptz, and Nicole and Stephanie Furan; great-grandfather of Dade Butler; brother of Ruth (the late Kenneth) Cross, Roy (Gladys) Raduechel, Dorothy (the late Gerald) Diehl and Beatrice (the late Clarence) Eggleston; and brother-in-law of Marguerite Raduechel and Harold Springer.

Ralph was loved by many and will be remembered by

numerous dear friends and other relatives.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Elaine, on Feb. 17, 2010; brothers, Raymond and Robert; and his sister, Helen Springer.

Ralph's strength and humor will serve as an inspiration for us all. The family would like to thank Dr. Frederico Sanchez, his staff and the nurses and techs on 2 North at Waukesha Memorial Hospital, for taking such great care of our father.

Visitation will be held from 3 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 10, at Mealy's Funeral Home, 103 W. Eagle St., Eagle. A time for sharing memories will be held immediately following the visitation at 6:30 p.m. Burial will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11, at Oak Ridge Cemetery in Eagle.

Mealy's Funeral Home in Eagle, 594-2442, is assisting the family. For the online obituary and guest registry, go to [www.hdlfuneralhomes.com](http://www.hdlfuneralhomes.com).

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