



Neil Franklin Meador

September 19, 1938 - April 7, 2022

Neil Franklin Meador, 83, passed away peacefully on Thursday afternoon, April 7th at Promedica Skilled Nursing in Fort Myers Florida.

Memorial Services will be at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 101 Main St., in Sweet Springs Missouri, on Saturday April 23rd at 10:30am, followed by a graveside service and burial at Fairview Cemetery in Sweet Springs. A visitation will be held at Campbell-Lewis Funeral Home, 204 Ruby St. in Sweet Springs at 6:00 - 7:00pm, April 22nd.

He was born at home on September 19th, 1938 to Ester Louise Fajen and Orman "Benny" Meador, the youngest of two children. He graduated from Sweet Springs High School in 1956. He married Joyce Alleen Schumacher on August 31, 1958 and she joined him in Columbia where he was an undergraduate at the University of Missouri. Their first child, Michael, was born there in Columbia as he finished his undergraduate degree. Their second child Kelly was born in Blacksburg Virginia where he was pursuing his Master's degree at Virginia Tech. He got his Doctorate from Michigan State in East Lansing in Agricultural Engineering then moved back to the University of Missouri in Columbia to write and teach. He ended his career as the Chairman of the Department of Agricultural Engineering and retired in xxxx.

Neil was an eternal fall optimist for his beloved Mizzou Tigers Football.

Homecoming at the Meador house was a Sweet Springs Fall Festival in Columbia. A season ticket holder for decades, he followed Mizzou Basketball as well.

He held multiple positions at Campus Lutheran Church including Elder and President, and was also a frequent tennis opponent of the Pastor, Kenneth Frerking. He bowled for years with his wife in a mixed doubles league, and with a group from work in the school league.

He is survived by daughter Kelly, Son Michael (Kimberly), grandchildren Mackenzie and Andrew, as well as several nieces and nephews.

His various philanthropies and charities include wetlands and water conservation, wounded warriors, Scouts BSA, and there is a UMC scholarship for the Ag Engineering department in his name.

The family has asked that in lieu of flowers, contributions may be sent to the Special Olympics in Jefferson City Missouri. Donate in Neil's name, and we will have matching funds. <https://somo.org/>.

Tribute Wall



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October 09, 2023 at 02:01 AM



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January 28, 2023 at 12:09 PM