



## Gary "Mack" Willis Mackey

February 20, 1935 - September 13, 2011

Gary "Mack" Willis Mackey, 76 of Rockford, IL died on September 13, 2011 at 2:17 p.m. in Amberwood Care Center. He was born on February 20, 1935, in Portland, Oregon; son of Harold and Helen Rudolph. Owned Forest City Pattern Works in Rockford. Mack was a member of The Baltic, SMSF, Elida, Blackhawk Social Clubs, along with many others. He also loved spending time with his "extended family" in Hayward, and Rockford. He was an avid hunter and fisherman, and collected lures and other hunting & fishing memorabilia. He is survived by his daughters; Stacey (Paul Hain) Maaske of Roscoe, IL, Suzan (Tim) VanVleet of Loves Park, IL, Stephanie (Nick Migliore) Mackey of Rockton, IL; grandchildren, Jordyn Maaske of Rockford, IL, Brittany VanVleet, DaCoda VanVleet, Zachary VanVleet, all of Loves Park, IL, Jayme Christiansen of Rockton, IL; brothers, David Mackey of North Carolina, Robert (Nancy) Rudolph of California, Richard (Phillis) Rudolph of Washington. Preceded in death by his parents, Harold and Helen Rudolph; father, Harold Mackey; brother, Ronald Mackey; and sister in law, Marsha Mackey. Mack touched many lives and will be dearly missed, he was a loyal friend to all who knew him. Services will be held at a later date. Cremation rites will be accorded. Grace Funeral & Cremation Services, Rockford, IL is assisting the family with arrangements. To share a memory or condolence online, visit [www.graceFH.com](http://www.graceFH.com).

# Tribute Wall

SV

“ *Suzan "Mackey Mack" VanVleet Dad you will always be by my heart. I love you Dad. I loved the time we spent together in hayward those memories will never be forgotten.*



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**Suzan VanVleet** - September 27, 2011 at 09:27 PM

SV

“ *Suzan "Mackey Mack " VanVleet You will always be close to my heart dad. I love dad.*



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**Suzan VanVleet** - September 27, 2011 at 09:13 PM

CR

“ *Mack was a good friend and will be missed by us as well as many others. This Oct. when our Wednesday pool begins again it will be a sad beginning not to have him there. Cliff and Bette Retzke*

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**Cliff Retzke** - September 23, 2011 at 01:59 PM

DP

“ *Sorry to here about the death of Gary. We were high school friends, and after military service we got together again enjoying our sports cars and events. Unfortunately we didn't keep in touch. Regards Dwain Plymale.*

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**Dwain Plymale** - September 19, 2011 at 06:01 PM

PS

“ To Macks Daughters; We are so very sorry to hear about your Dad. We sure had a lot of fun with him over the years, both in Rockford and up in Hayward. Friends for a long time. He had a lot of friends at the Ellida and Baltic. We will miss him very much.  
Peggy Stegall and Jerry (Shotgun) Schetgen

Peggy Stegall - September 19, 2011 at 05:38 PM

SX

“ Stephanie "Mack" Mackey I Love You Dad X lit a candle in memory of Gary "Mack" Willis Mackey



Stephanie "Mack" Mackey I love you Dad x - September 19, 2011 at 03:14 PM

DP

“ Dwain Plymale lit a candle in memory of Gary "Mack" Willis Mackey



Dwain Plymale - September 18, 2011 at 04:41 PM

Jl

“ James And Judy Berens Rockton II lit a candle in memory of Gary "Mack" Willis Mackey



james and judy berens rockton II - September 17, 2011 at 10:36 AM

JR

*sorry to read that gary passed away. my husband was very good friends with him back in the early 60!s and late 50!s. they all had sport cars. I tried to look up your phone numbers so I could talk to you about gary. I would appreciate it if one of you would contact me.sincerely judyberens. phone # 815-624-7672 my is james berens. we live in rockton Il*

**judy and jim berens rockton** - September 17, 2011 at 02:02 PM

SM

*Hi, this is Stacey, one of Gary's daughter. I live here in Roscoe. My phone number is 815-543-2664. Dad's friend's are planning on having a fellowship memorial at the SM & SF. The date hasn't been set yet. Waiting for people to get back from Hayward and I've been trying to get a picture memorial ready. We will also be having a memorial and spreading his ashes in Hayward on Memoral Weekend. Your more than welcome to give me a call anytime after 5:30pm.*

**stacey maaske** - September 28, 2011 at 06:06 AM

CV

*“ Mack...knew him before I knew him from The Landing...he and his buddy would do road trips to Menomonie years ago when we had a bar in Meno. You are missed Mack...Chuck and Deb Vind!*



**Chuck & Deb Vind** - September 17, 2011 at 12:48 AM

JW

*“ Not a day goes by where I don't miss the smile on your face when you would walk in the door. My thoughts are with your daughters! Love ya Mack!!!*

**Julie Welter** - September 16, 2011 at 03:27 PM