



Cecil M. "Corky" Ruemler

September 26, 1931 - August 19, 2012

Cecil "Corky" M. Ruemler died on August 19, 2012 at the Sheyenne Care Center in Valley City, ND. He was born September 26, 1931 to Walter and Anna (Davis) Ruemler. He was baptized into the Lutheran Faith at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Corky was born with developmental disabilities and the only service available, at that time, was institutionalization at Grafton State School, so Walt and Anna chose to keep their son in their home. In 1959, Walt was one of the founders of the Open Door Center in Valley City. They provided day services to adults with developmental disabilities and Corky was one of the first people to participate in the program. He continued to attend this program and lived at home until he entered the Sheyenne Care Center in 2002.

He was well known in the community as he made friends with his ready smile and wit. He walked and biked miles around town and had a keen interest in trains, planes, cars, and fire trucks. He often recalled people by the make, model and color of the car they drove. At the Care Center, he enjoyed Bingo, church, and musical activities.

Corky was preceded in death by his parents and is survived by his three younger sisters, Patricia (Richard) Laine of San Carlos, CA, Lois (Robert) Wold of Fargo, ND and LouVay (Jim) White of Valley City; four nephews, and

a niece.

The funeral service for Cecil "Corky" Ruemler, will be held at the Sheyenne Care Center Chapel on Thursday, August 23, 2012 at 2:00 p.m. Burial will be in Woodbine Cemetery, Valley City, beside his parents.

Previous Events

Service

AUG **23**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Sheyenne Care Center Chapel
979 Central Ave. N.
Valley City, ND

Tribute Wall



“ I was so confused about what to buy, but this makes it understandable.##imported-begin##Jennifer##imported-end##

October 11, 2012 at 11:26 AM



“ I will always remember the string of wagons full of neighborhood kids being pulled around the block by Corky and playing softball in the Ruemler back yard. He was a good friend. It was a blessing that his family recognized his potential and let him lead a normal, happy life.##imported-begin##Jon Nestoss##imported-end##

August 22, 2012 at 02:49 PM



“ Many of us will remember Corky "directing" us as we travelled on 2nd Street Northwest. He was smiling, as he made us smile and wave. Our thoughts and prayers to you, his "little" Sisters.##imported-begin##Ardis Martin##imported-end##

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“ Corky is fondly remembered as one of our neighborhood friends, and would always give Bill a WHOO WHOO for the fire trucks. Rest in God's care Cecil, with your Mom & Dad at your side.##imported-begin##Sue & Bill Martin##imported-end##

August 20, 2012 at 09:52 PM



“ Remember Corky as a young boy--always friendly with a big smile. Our thoughts are with you girls. A##imported-begin##Buck and Mary Jane Billing##imported-end##

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“ I remember Corky and his friendly manner in spite of obstacles with which life confronted him. My parents - Lou and Mabel Bruhn - were big supporters of the Open Door Care Center feeling that it was an important addition to the community life. My condolences to Corky's three sisters and their families.##imported-begin##Shirley Bruhn Lindsay##imported-end##

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