



DeWayne E. Campbell

August 2, 1923 - May 20, 2011

DeWayne E. Campbell, 87, Rudyard, formerly of Escanaba, Michigan died May 20 at War Memorial Hospital in Sault St. Marie. He was born August 2, 1923 on Fort Hill in Ligonier, Pennsylvania, youngest son of D. Graham Campbell and Ina Larimer Campbell. He was preceded in death by his wife of 27 years Sylvia Hollowood Campbell in 1973. Their children are: Elizabeth (Richard) Mickinak of Rector, PA, Marylee Iminen of Palm Desert, CA, DeWayne Campbell Jr., of Naperville, IL, Vicki (Tim) Gerou of Rudyard, MI, Kimberly McMillie of Ronan, MT, Kristine (George) Heussner of Simi Valley, CA, Dawna Merenger of DePere, WI, fifteen grandchildren and ten great grandchildren. He was a veteran of World War II and one of the first fisheries biologists graduated at the University of Michigan. He was employed by the PA Fish Commission and then worked for the US Forest Service until his retirement. During his years working on the lakes in Michigan, he oversaw the installation of the reef in Brevort Lake; Mormon Creek and surrounding waterway sand traps to facilitate the trout fisheries; and the Norwich waterfowl habitat. He had a life-long love of nature and concern for the environment. He loved to hunt and fish and care for his dogs and had a strong sense of family. He spent hours working at the West Rock camp planting buckwheat for the deer and cutting the grass. In 1983 he married Rosemarie Holmes who preceded him in death in 2009. There will be a memorial service in Ligonier on his 88th birthday.

Tribute Wall

LH

“ My condolences to all of you over the passing of DeWayne. I had the good fortune to work with him early in my Forest Service career in Escanaba. First as an trainee engineer in the construction of large fisheries improvement projects and second as a member of the land management planning team. While he was not on the team his frequent advice and wise counsel has impacted my career to this day. He will be missed.

Lynn Hicks - June 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TC

“ I was sorry to hear of your Dad's passing. We worked in the same Forest Office in Escanaba; I, the newcomer from the West and he, the old timer who eased my transition into the area. We sent a lot of e-mails back and forth through the years and I think of him often, especially the war stories. He was one of a kind and I'll truly miss him.

Terry Cox - June 06, 2011 at 12:00 AM

HP

“ KC,

We are sorry to hear of your Dad's passing. Hope has good memories of him.

We hope to see you next time you are in Escanaba.

Hope & Andy Pool

Hope & Andy Pool - June 01, 2011 at 12:00 AM

GC

“ Vicky, My sympathy to you and your family. Its been a tough year for you. We all miss you and think of you often. Know our thoughts are with you at this time. May all the good memories comfort you. God Bless Gloria

gloria clegg - May 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ Dane & family,

In deepest sympathy I wish to share this poem with you:

I'm a thousand winds that blow

I'm the diamond glints on snow

I'm sunlight on ripened grain

I'm autumn's gentle rain

When you waken in the morning's hush

I am the swift uplifting hush

Of quiet birds in circling flights

I'm a gentle star shining at night

So do not stand at my grave and cry

For I'm not there, I did not die.

My deepest sympathies,

Cherie Holbrook

Cherie Holbrook - May 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ Dad, you will be missed by our whole family. Thank you for loving my mother. Thank you for the memories that will remain in our hearts and minds forever.

Suzanne Thatcher & family - May 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RP

“ I only met your dad a few times, it was fun having him along on the camping trips, I can tell he really enjoyed it. I remember his sense of humor and not knowing at first when he was joking or not. My thoughts, prayers and condolences are with you all. May the good memories be of some comfort.

Rita Peddycoart - May 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TK

“ My thoughts are with you all. Your dad was a wonderful man(and scarey at times in high school:)) I remember his first date with Rose mom at the Buck Inn. They were all smiles.
Hugs to you all,
Teri

Teri Kingston - May 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

GM

“ When I was in college in the late 1970's, DeWayne took me under his wing and mentored me into a career of fisheries management. In the 30-plus years since when I first met him, I went from working as a summer college fisheries intern to become an area fisheries manager for the Michigan DNR, and I credit DeWayne for giving me that start.

DeWayne and I had a lot of fun both at work and after-hours fishing. He knew how to catch fish and he had lots of fun in his outdoor pursuits.

DeWayne was a skilled and knowledgeable biologist. He had a good insight with how to work with fishermen, fellow biologists, and agency politics. I'll fondly remember his exasperation for trying to teach new biologists the proper method of how to braid the loose whip-ends of hemp rope, only to be exasperated by us young newbies who preferred to use nylon rope whereby we could simply melt the end of the rope with a lit match. DeWayne would give us "heck" for using nylon ropes rather than the old hemp fibre...and we'd give him "heck" right back. It was because of jocular interactions like that, that many people have endless fond memories of good times with DeWayne Campbell.

George Madison - May 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ Peace and strength to you and all of your family Casey.

Carol and Martin Payne - May 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

NB

“ Tim and Vicki,
My sincere sympathies are with you. I know it is hard to lose a parent and it leaves a hole in your heart.

Nancy Berkompas - May 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ DeWayne was largely responsible for hiring me as a Forest Service fisheries biologist straight out of college 33 years ago. He was a mentor and teacher who impressed on me the need for careful observation and documentation of resource conditions and the value of habitat management. I am very grateful for the guidance he provided and sorry to hear of his passing.

Chuck Bassett - May 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM