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Dave was a wonderful husband, dad, grandpa, brother, and uncle. He and his wife, Jane, shared almost 63 loving years together. Dave was born to Eldred and Lorene Hanna, in Trinidad, Colorado. Known as “Renny” as a child, he grew up in Cozad, Nebraska, a small town in central Nebraska. He attended Wentworth Military Academy and the University of Nebraska, graduating with a degree in Business Administration.

After college Dave joined the Air Force as an officer and was stationed at Lowry Air Force base in Denver. It was there that he met Jane, on a group picnic/horseback ride in the Rocky Mountains, and they were married in 1957. Dave joined New York Life Insurance Company in Denver and, as an executive with the company, moved to Milwaukee, Seattle, Boston, Detroit, and Cleveland, retiring after a 32-year career. He and Jane moved to Brecon Village in Saline, MI in 2019 to be near their daughter and family.

He loved to travel, taking memorable trips with family and friends to places such as California, Alaska, Yellowstone NP, England, Germany, Italy, and Australia. He had a life-long love of Nebraska Cornhusker football, and loved watching all college football and PGA golf. He also enjoyed reading detective/spy thrillers and histories and playing bridge. But his greatest joy was spending time with his family, especially watching his grandchildren and nephew play sports.

Dave is survived by his daughter Lori (Mitch) Hall (Saline, MI); grandchildren Kelly (fiancée, Savannah DeMil) Hall (Atlanta, GA), Kevin Hall (Denver, CO), and Kyle Hall (East Lansing, MI); sister Connie (Gerard) Gengenbach (Cozad, NE) and brother-in-law John (Barbara) Counts (Santa Fe, NM); as well as nieces/nephews Lisa Patterson (Jonny Bresnahan), Lyn Patterson, Ryan (Afsoon) Turner, Joy (Courtney) Counts, Lauri (Todd) Garretson, Stephanie (Scott) Strauss, and wonderful great-nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife in 2020, his parents, his son Steven, sister Sharon, and sister-in-law Judy. A special thanks to the staff at Brecon Village for their great care. Dave's love and support will be missed by all who knew him.

Dave will be buried with Jane at Lakewood Park Cemetery near Westlake, OH next to his son, Steve. A celebration of life will be held in the future.

Comments



“ The Old Boy Cadets of Wentworth Military Academy, Lexington, MO., salute Veteran and fellow Old Boy. David Hanna. We extend our sincere condolences to the Family and friends of David. Rest in Peace.

Sam Ryan representing the W.M.A. Old Boy - February 11 at 09:44 PM



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Mitch Hall - February 01 at 08:31 AM



“ I'll always remember Uncle Dave from our many family gatherings growing up. Often the life of the party (although he did have some competition from his sisters and Pop-Pop)! One memory in particular was when Uncle Dave danced his tail off doing the twist in Gram & Pop's living room along with the other adults. Also, the competitive game playing that went on makes me partial to game nights to this day! Those were such joyful times and I'll miss Uncle Dave & Aunt Janie's physical presence. Thanks for posting the video as everyone is exactly how I remember them!

Lisa - January 31 at 06:51 PM



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Lisa - January 31 at 06:34 PM



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Mitch Hall - January 30 at 02:58 PM



“ Here's some old video: Dave & Jane w/baby Lori, Singing with Lori and Sharon and telling how he met Janie (involves horses and beer chugging)

Mitch Hall - January 30 at 03:01 PM



“ The the part where Mom & Uncle Dave are singing (off key) "Hark the Herald" I notice both are "Directing"...ha ha! Love the story of how they met!

Lisa - January 31 at 06:47 PM



“ I feel blessed to have had so many years with the best grandpa. We shared so many memories, stories, vacations, holidays, and of course 31/family feud/football pool games! I was so grateful for his wisdom and constant support - he was there for all of his grandkids every step of our childhood and into adulthood. The grandkids loved asking him and Grandma to recount the adorable story of how they met! We miss him so much already but feel comforted by his memory and grateful that he was able to live a long and joyful life.



Kelly Hall - January 27 at 09:03 AM



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Mitch Hall - January 26 at 08:11 PM



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