



Maynard Dip Gabriel

September 13, 1940 - August 25, 2008

Maynard "Dip" Gabriel, 67, of the Onondaga Nation, died Monday, August 25, 2008 at home. He was an Oneida/Mohawk and a member of the Turtle Clan. Dip was a structural engineer with Local 440 in Utica, retiring 1996 after 30 years. He was very proud of being a bridgeman and a Native American iron worker. He was also a well known professional comedian. He enjoyed billiards at CAPS, lacrosse, making Native American jewelry, arts and crafts and spending time with his family.

Dip is survived by his children, Raun (Lindsay) Gabriel of Onondaga Hill, New York, Darien Gabriel of Syracuse, New York and Joshua Johns of Buffalo, New York; stepchildren, Shawn (Mary) Darrow of LaFayette, New York and Kalen (Matt) St. Dennis of Syracuse, New York; his ex-wife, Darlene Darrow; brother, Lawrence Gabriel of Munnsville, New York; sisters, Helen Jones of the Onondaga Nation and Rosella Peters of Oneida, New York; eight grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his parents, Ralph and Elizabeth (Thomas) Gabriel; a brother, Richard Powless and a sister, Sarah Stout.

Funeral Service: Friday, August 29, 2008, 12:00 noon at Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home, 4612 S. Salina Street, Syracuse, New York.

Calling Hours: Thursday, August 28, 2008, 4:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Ballweg &

Lunsford Funeral Home, 4612 S. Salina Street, Syracuse, New York.

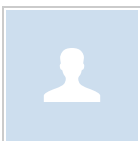
Tribute Wall



“ *Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Maynard Dip Gabriel*

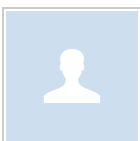


Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home - August 25, 2008 at 12:00 AM



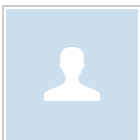
“ *grandpa i love you so much and all of those memories we had together are going to be here for a life time , just wished u never left me. but i caint wait till i get to see u again in an other life time . i love you grandpa dip and always will*

May 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *We met Dip at CAPS about nine years ago. He was so kind. We always looked forward to seeing him and hearing his great laugh. The world is not the same without you. You will be sorely missed.*

September 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Joss events at Turning Stone will never be the same with out DIP..Thanks Dip for your friendship and your sense of humor..*

September 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Dip - Right now I feel like I just lost my ""security blanket"". You will be greatly missed. Til we meet again, dear friend. Love - Bobbie

August 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ My prayers are with you at this time. Always remember he loved you all...

August 28, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ He always brought smiles and laughter. A man that healed souls, and will truly be missed by many.

August 28, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ We met Dip at Valley Forge a few years ago and looked forward to seeing him there each year. This month was our first time at Turning Stone and we were so happy to see him there in his element the last day, dressed to the nines and holding court. What a striking figure he made that day, and what a charming manner he had each time we saw him! We are very sorry to hear of his passing and we will miss seeing him. Roberto, Mary & Jonathan

August 28, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ This is from Chuck Wilbur and his family. (daughters Amy Meneilly, Melissa Hatem, and son Chuck Wilbur) Our Dad has shared a lot of memories of Dip. Knowing him since the age of 14. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family.

August 28, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ The world was a much better place because ""Dip"" was in it. He always had a kind word and said something to make a person smile. I just saw him a few weeks ago and never expected it would be the last time I saw him. Years ago, after my father passed away I had found an old water stained picture of him when he was in the Navy. I mentioned it to ""Dip"" and he wanted to take a look at it. He took the picture, had it refurbished and hand made a frame for it. It is just beautiful. ""Dip"" had many talents but the greatest talent he had was bringing laughter and smiles to everyone he met. He will greatly missed but remembered fondly in all our hearts. Good bye ""Dip"" we love you!

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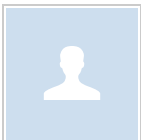
“ I have spent a lot of time and money losing on the Joss Northeast Nine-ball Tour. Dip was at many of those tour stops and his happy nature and sense of humor always gave my spirit a boost. A naturally funny man with a heart of gold. I will miss him.

August 28, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ I can say that every time I was around Dip it was a good time. He was laid back, honest and just nice to talk with. Thanks Dip, you did a good job!

August 27, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ A great man who left a wonderful impression upon many people

August 27, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ A really good friend, will be missed.

August 27, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ I will always remember the fine and great times I had with Dip at the Hob-Nobb in the late sixties; in Syracuse. Also remembered are the good times and other places we frequented together. It is with heartfelt anguish that we are to commemorate such a wonderful; and cherished friend. He will always be remembered for his great smile and laughable nature. Enjoy your journey to the Spirit World and may your loved ones be comforted at this time. You will always be remembered for the uniqueness you offered and gave all during your time here on Mother Earth. Skennen.

August 27, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Good Bye my friend, it was my pleasure to have known and worked with you in our younger years. May the creator welcome you with loving arms.

August 27, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ To the family of Maynard ""Dip"" Gabriel a?" Please accept my condolences on your loss.., I met Dip many years ago a Turning Stone billiard event and it has been my pleasure knowing him.., Dip always brought happiness to everyone he met on the tournament trail and he will surely be missed. Sincerely, Dana Bufalo a?"
Milford, Massachusetts

August 27, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *aunt rose i'm so sorry to hear about your loss you and your family are in my prayers*

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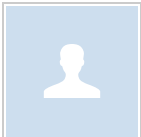
“ *He will be dearly missed for all of his smiles and clever thoughts. I had many a conversation with Dip concerning all kinds of subjects. Most memorable will be his help in getting and keeping the Turning Stone Professional pool tournament I loved his humor and generosity!! God bless you!!! You will be missed. Love and respect, Gerry Sharp*

August 26, 2008 at 12:00 AM



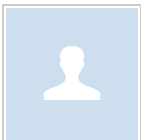
“ *Dip, thank you for all that you have done for players like me. I sure will miss seeing you at Turning Stone and the other pool tournaments on the Joss Tour tournament trail. Rest in peace!*

August 26, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dip, Me and the kids will always miss you and mine and james's lacrosse trips won't never be the same, but you will always be in our hearts. Loving and always missing you. Ed, james, kianna, cree.*

August 26, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with Dip's family in this time of great loss. I met Dip at Capp's pool hall and enjoyed his friendship. He was a true gentleman and he will be greatly missed by all that knew him.*

August 26, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *May the Warm Winds of Heaven Blow softly upon your house. May the Great Spirit Bless all who enter there. May your Mocassins Make happy tracks in many snows, and may the Rainbow Always touch your shoulder. I will miss you, Maynard. Your friend, Jennie*

August 26, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *dinners, pizza & wings, and cookouts will never be the same.*

August 26, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *I never met this fine gentleman, but I have heard he has done wonderful things to bring the pool scene back on fire again. He will be missed.*

August 26, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Although my heart is saddened I know you wouldn't want me crying. I know you would rather have us celebrating your wonderful life with all the great memories you brought us. Dip you will be truly missed by all. From Julia and daughters*

August 26, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Our prayers are with you at this time. Dip will be sadly missed.*

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