



DeVoe L. Manning

August 27, 1951 - May 31, 2021

DeVoe L. Manning age 69 of Dixon died Monday May 31, 2021 at his home surrounded by family. He was born Aug. 27, 1951 in Walnut Ridge, Arkansas the son of Earl Edward and Izeal Oweda (Cline) Manning. DeVoe received his Bachelor degree from Peru State College in Peru, Nebraska and his Master degree from Northern Illinois University in DeKalb.

He taught English, Speech and Drama at Dixon High School from 1973 until his retirement in 2005. DeVoe was the Drama Director for the fall plays and spring musicals for many years at DHS.

In his free time DeVoe enjoyed raising and racing pigeons. In 2020 he finished 7th nationally in the American Racing Pigeon Union's Young Bird Champion Loft division.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two sisters Norma Foshee and Connie Van Horne, and two brothers Terral and Randy Manning.

DeVoe is survived by three sisters Karen (Mike) Rude of Sterling, Kim King of Oregon, Kelli (Shannon) Miller of Ward, AR and many nieces and nephews and great nieces and nephews. He is also survived by long time family friend Terry Macholan and his family from Papillion, NE.

It was DeVoe's wish that his body be donated for scientific study thru the Anatomical Gift Association of Illinois. A memorial has been established to the American Cancer Society. A celebration of Life open house will be held on Saturday August 7, 2021 at the Loveland Community Building 513 W 2nd St Dixon, main floor from 2:00 to 4:00 PM.

Previous Events

A Celebration of Life

AUG 7. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Loveland Community Building
513 W 2nd St
Dixon, IL 61021

Tribute Wall



“ *DeVoe L. Manning*

October 08, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *DeVoe L. Manning*

December 31, 2022 at 02:40 AM



“ *What a Great Teacher!*

Wayne Burgess - August 02, 2021 at 06:56 PM



“ *One of the most dreaded classes in high school...speech! Who wants to get up in front of your peers at that awkward time in life and speak about an assigned topic for a specified time? Not most people. But Mr. Manning made it not be quite so awful. I remember correctly, his classroom on the fourth floor was set up with tables following the perimeter of the room. He sat dead center at the back taking notes and I believe possibly even making faces on occasion at the speaker. There has to be a place in heaven for for the teacher who endures a demonstration speech “how to make a placemat purse”.*

amy ringler (jensen) - June 16, 2021 at 11:59 PM

SF

“ I just heard about DeVoe's passing. It was quite a shock. I was a student at Peru State College part of the time DeVoe was attending there. My boyfriend at the time, later my husband, was a roommate of DeVoe's. We had some fun times at their house. I always enjoyed DeVoe's wit. He could have things roll off his tongue faster than anyone! Even though I hadn't seen DeVoe for a very long time, I thought of all the roommates frequently. I am glad I have so many memories of him stored in my brain. I can recall the funny times we all had there. I am sending prayers for peace for his friends and family. Sincerely, Susie Van Syoc Fairbanks

Susie Van Syoc Fairbanks - June 06, 2021 at 09:24 PM

PQ

“ Devoe Manning was a positive influence in my life at DHS. He was a "can do" person who could relate to young people. I enjoyed helping build stage sets, painting, sewing for him because he always said, "thank you." Peri Ann Snyder Query

Peri Ann Query - June 06, 2021 at 05:59 PM

DA

“ DeVoe was a great teacher and wonderful family friend. We will miss his spirit for life and his genuine laughter. I can see him yet tossing a football with my brother in the back yard. Donna Sollars Spencer

Donna Sollars aspencer - June 04, 2021 at 10:59 PM

MD

“ *DeVoe was one of the friendliest and kind people I have ever met. Everyone that knew him will miss this gentleman.. What a great guy!!*

Mike DeChaney

Mike DeChaney - June 04, 2021 at 08:17 PM