



## Arthur Larson

May 25, 1930 - November 13, 2011

Arthur Charles Larson was born on May 25 1930 at home in Wadena County, MN. He was born to Fred A. Larson and Pearl E. (Topp) Larson. Arthur went up to 8th grade in a one room school house, District 4, a couple miles from his home, and attended public school in Verndale up to 11th grade. Arthur was united in marriage to Esther Lucille Remus on June 12, 1954. He joined the Army shortly after his marriage and was medically discharged in 1956. Arthur and Esther bought a 170 acre farm 7 miles north of Staples, in Thomastown township. They attended the Thomastown Covenant Church, as did Arthur's parents. They lived at that farm for 51 years. They raised two children: Melody Ann and Wayne Charles. Arthur was a farmer most of his life with a few odd jobs of working in a box factory, cutting wood, and working for a turkey farm. His hobbies were visiting neighbors and friends with his wife, looking for "antiques", and collecting John Deere tractors. He loved children and enjoyed his grandchildren immensely. After his wife's death in December of 2005, Arthur went to live at Fair Oaks Lodge in Wadena. He enjoyed his time visiting with old friends and even some relatives that were living there, also. Arthur passed away peacefully on November 13, 2011, at Fair Oaks Lodge. His daughter, son, and brother Marvin were at his side. Arthur was preceded in death by his wife Esther; parents Fred and Pearl Larson; in-laws Arthur and Helen Remus; sisters-in-law, Mary (Remus) Ladd, Stella (Remus) Tews, Nelda (North) Remus; and brothers-in-law, Watson Ladd and Rollan Tews. Arthur is survived by his children, Melody (Kurt) Goodenough of St

Louis Park, and Wayne(Kathy) Larson of Verndale; grandchildren, Matthew (Karen) Goodenough, Golden Valley, and Megan (Phil) Jones of St. Louis Park; and great-granchildren, Charlie Goodenough and Lucy Jones; brothers Marvin (Jan) Larson of New Prague, Ron (Shelly) Larson of Lakeville; sister Irene (Jim) Basham of Libby MT; sister-in-law Grace (Charlie) Nason of Cass Lake; brother-in-law Will Remus of Isanti; many beloved nieces and nephews; and 81 years of special friends. He will be missed by all. Funeral services were held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 19, 2011 at the Thomastown Covenant Church in rural Staples with Pastor David Harlow officiating. Burial was in the Thomastown Covenant Church Cemetery.

# Tribute Wall

KP

“ *Melody and Wayne...  
I thought your dad was a good man - very quiet but a good man. He  
will be missed by alot of people.  
My deepest sympathys for your lose. He is now at home with your  
mom.  
God bless you both.*

*Love - Kahla*

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**Kahla Pinske** - November 13, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AT

“ *Melody & Wayne: I have many fond memories of Uncle Art and  
times spent at the farm. (Even a scar still left on my right forearm.)  
He will be greatly missed.*

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**Aaron Tews** - November 13, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ *Melody:*

*We are sorry to hear about your Daddy.*

*We will not be able to attend the service, but we will be praying for  
you and your family especially Wayne and Kathy, at this very  
difficult time.*

*Sincerely,*

*Richard Kathleen and  
Mamma Neoma Goodenough*

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**Kathleen St Germain** - November 13, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ *prayers to melody and wayne for the loss of art he will be missed but not forgotten*

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**russell maki,marlene scott** - November 13, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ *melody and wayne, thinking of you and your family in this time of your loss. i am so proud to have known your parents. i can only imagine the wonderful memories you have. always had a great time being with you guys and your parents. continue to look to God for your strength. eph 6;10-20. Clark,theresa*

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**clark roth** - November 13, 2011 at 12:00 AM