



Dale Dobson

October 3, 1929 - March 18, 2025

The funeral service celebrating the life of Dale Dobson of Wadena will be held at 11:00a.m. on Tuesday, March 25, at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Wadena with Pastor Nate Loer presiding.

Visitation will be held at the church on Tuesday, from 9:30a.m. until the time of the service. Burial will be in Wadena Cemetery, Wadena, MN.

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Immanuel Luth - Wadena

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Dale, 95, passed away peacefully surrounded by his family at his home in Wadena, MN, on March 18, 2025. Additional care was provided by Moments Hospice.

Dale Wallace Dobson was born the oldest of six children to Marvin and Grace (Kuper) Dobson on October 3, 1929, in Marvin, SD. The family moved to a farm near Huntersville, MN, when Dale was four. He had three brothers and two sisters.

After graduating from Sebeka High School in 1948, Dale enlisted in the US Army. He was deployed to Europe for three years and then served in the Korean Conflict. He was very proud of his service and loved sharing his

experiences.

In 1955, Dale married Jeanine Carpenter and had daughters, Michele and Dede. They remained friendly after divorcing in 1975. Dale married Janice (Nohrenberg) Miller in 1979. Their love and devotion of 45 years will live on.

Dale's career mainly involved sales. He retired in 2005, from Tri County Hospital as a Director of Security. His many interests included hunting, fishing, playing cards, and trips to the casino. Most of all he loved visiting with people! He had a knack for making friends easily; often making them feel like family. He was a member of the American Legion and actively involved with the VFW.

A simple obituary cannot fully encapsulate Dale's life, but it can serve as a tribute to a man who was greatly loved and will be deeply missed by all who knew him. Dale's life story is a book with many chapters filled with dedication and service, devotion to the many people he loved, and memories of the deeply rooted relationships that shaped his legacy.

Preceding Dale in death were his parents Marvin and Grace; brothers Duane, Dean and Dwight Dobson; and sister Della Kowalski.

Forever remembering Dale will be his wife, Janice; daughters, Michele (Ken) Warzecha and Dede Dobson; step-children John (Cheryl) Miller, Mike (Marlene) Miller, and Lori (Steve) Kirckof; 16 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; sister Donna (Ron) Morafcik; along with many nieces and nephews.

Cemetery Details

Wadena Cemetery

Franklin Drive & 5th St. SW
Wadena, MN 56482

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 25. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Immanuel Lutheran Church - Wadena
403 2nd St. SE
Wadena, MN 56482

Service

MAR 25. 11:00 AM (CT)

Immanuel Lutheran Church - Wadena
403 2nd St. SE
Wadena, MN 56482

Tribute Wall

BB

“ *Hi Girls.
Sorry to hear about your Daddy.
I always enjoyed his company many years ago.
Barbara Besett*

Barbara Besett - April 10, 2025 at 11:55 AM

SM

“ *Sue Halliwill McDonald lit a candle in memory
of Dale Dobson*



Sue Halliwill McDonald - April 07, 2025 at 01:11 PM

RD

“ *I will miss Dale and how much he loved life. He always made me
smile and laugh. What a wonderful man. Rachel Grieger*

Rachel K Grieger DDS - March 26, 2025 at 05:55 PM

MS

“ *I met Dale when I joined Tri-County in 2000.
Dale was friendly, kind and took his job
seriously. He was a delight to visit with. May
he rest in peace.*



Medley Shamp - March 26, 2025 at 02:26 PM

DM

“ *Dixie Murray lit a candle in memory of Dale Dobson*



Dixie Murray - March 25, 2025 at 12:03 PM

DM

“ *Rest in peace Dale. You are pain free. Thank you for being such a wonderful brother. We have so many nice memories. I will really miss our weekly chats and especially during football season when the Packers and Vikings played each other. There was always a phone call after that. Thank you Janice for taking such good care of Dale. Love, Donna*

Donna Morafcik - March 25, 2025 at 12:48 AM

CW

“ *Dear Aunt Janice and family, I have so many wonderful memories of Uncle Dale, whether at your place, Mom and Dad's or out at Grandma and Grandpa Dobson's farm. I loved listening to his stories, all the great card games and wonderful meals shared around your table, and the visits out on the back porch. I will miss you! I am so sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers. With sympathy and much love, Cindy Williams.*



Cindy Williams - March 24, 2025 at 04:02 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dale Dobson.*



March 24, 2025 at 11:43 AM



“ *Tony & Rhonda Snyder lit a candle in memory of Dale Dobson*



Tony & Rhonda Snyder - March 24, 2025 at 10:52 AM



“ *Dale was the security guard at Tri- County Hospital, keeping the evening and night crew safe and protected in our treks to and from our cars! Such a character! Never a dull shift change when Dale was on duty. Always a story or some bit of wisdom. Jan, our sympathy and love at this tough time. Mark and Mary Houle*



Mary Houle - March 22, 2025 at 06:39 PM



“ *Dale liked to plant tomatoes in the summer and watch them grow. This summer I will plant a tomato plant in his honor. We had so many good laughs. He will be missed. Carolyn & Buddy.*

Carolyn Williams - March 22, 2025 at 04:58 PM

LP

“ With all our love, we want to express our sincere sympathy to Dale's family! We will never forget all the memories we have experienced together. Hugs to Jan and family at this difficult time. Lots of love,
Dan & Lela Platt

Lela Platt - March 22, 2025 at 03:15 PM

SH

“ I worked EMS when Dale worked security at Tri-County, sure loved that guy. I remember when he would like to scare us in the old Wesley Hospital. We decided to get even with him and two of us hid in a section of the Wesley Building and we made some noise so that he would open the door and we jumped out from behind some boxes. Did we scare him! He told us if he had a gun he would have shot us. We laughed about that for the longest time. He was a heck of a nice guy, my condolences to his family and friends.



sharon heinen - March 21, 2025 at 03:59 PM

BB

Love this Sharon❤️!

Brenda Bushinger Bakken - March 22, 2025 at 12:47 AM

GB

“ Gary Besett lit a candle in memory of Dale Dobson



Gary Besett - March 21, 2025 at 03:03 PM

IB

“ *My deepest sympathy to the family. Dale was fun to play cards with and always had a sense of fun to be around. He will be missed.* ”



Irene Baron - March 21, 2025 at 12:29 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Dale Dobson. ”

March 21, 2025 at 11:21 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dale Dobson.* ”



March 21, 2025 at 11:21 AM

RB

“ *Jan and family, we are so sorry for your loss. Dale was a great guy.* ”



Ray and Dorothy Beyer - March 21, 2025 at 10:54 AM

EM

“ *Memories of times spent together playing cards, visiting, going for a drive, fishing and delicious meals at your home will not be forgotten.*

Dobbie was the best friend ever.

May he rest in peace. And to the love of his life, Jan, may God be with you during this difficult time!! ❤️🙏 *Gary and Eileen*



Eileen Malone - March 21, 2025 at 01:51 AM

DG

“ *Donna Grendahl lit a candle in memory of Dale Dobson*



Donna Grendahl - March 20, 2025 at 09:21 PM

BR

“ *Bonnie Richter sent a virtual gift in memory of Dale Dobson*



Bonnie Richter - March 20, 2025 at 07:51 PM

RA

“ *Rita Anderson lit a candle in memory of Dale Dobson*



Rita Anderson - March 20, 2025 at 05:33 PM

WF

“ With sympathy, Edith Dobson and family purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Dale Dobson.



With sympathy, Edith Dobson and family - March 20, 2025 at 03:51 PM

MF

“ Jan, i'm so sorry to hear about the loss of Dale. It has been sometime since I've seen you, but have thought of you often. Prayers for both you and Dale. Take care!



Marie Fraune - March 20, 2025 at 02:11 PM

JM

“ John and Cheryl Miller planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dale Dobson.

John and Cheryl Miller - March 20, 2025 at 12:35 PM

JM

“ John and Cheryl Miller purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Dale Dobson.



John and Cheryl Miller - March 20, 2025 at 12:35 PM

AM

“ Amy Miller purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Dale Dobson.



Amy Miller - March 20, 2025 at 12:03 PM

TH

“ Tammie Klawitter Hamlin sent a virtual gift in memory of Dale Dobson



Tammie Klawitter Hamlin - March 20, 2025 at 10:37 AM

KM

“ Dale was always so pleasant to visit with. My sincere sympathy to Janice and the whole family.



Karen Munson - March 20, 2025 at 10:14 AM

JS

“ Jim & Tracey Stoneman lit a candle in memory of Dale Dobson



Jim & Tracey Stoneman - March 20, 2025 at 08:01 AM

JJ

“ *Jon and Patty Johnson lit a candle in memory of Dale Dobson*



Jon and Patty Johnson - March 20, 2025 at 06:48 AM

LM

“ *Lois Miller lit a candle in memory of Dale Dobson*



Lois Miller - March 19, 2025 at 11:05 PM

JD

“ *Janice & Jerry Denny*



Janice Denny - March 19, 2025 at 10:55 PM

JE

“ *Judy Erdahl lit a candle in memory of Dale Dobson*



Judy Erdahl - March 19, 2025 at 08:48 PM

KC

“ Jan, I am sorry to hear of the passing of Dale. I know he and Kenny spent some nice afternoons visiting. I know we did not get to know each other very well but knew our husbands enjoyed their time together.

Karen Carpenter - March 19, 2025 at 06:58 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Dale Dobson.

March 19, 2025 at 06:05 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dale Dobson.



March 19, 2025 at 06:05 PM

LE

“ So sorry, Jan & family..Peace be with all of you.. We will certainly miss him and great conversations we had especially at our birthdayclub..

Lee - March 19, 2025 at 05:47 PM

L&

“ Lee &Patty lit a candle in memory of Dale Dobson



Lee &Patty - March 19, 2025 at 05:41 PM

GW

“ Glen Donna Wood lit a candle in memory of Dale Dobson



Glen Donna Wood - March 19, 2025 at 05:41 PM

BK

“ Bob & Erica Keppers lit a candle in memory of Dale Dobson



Bob & Erica Keppers - March 19, 2025 at 05:03 PM

PB

“ I have fond memories of years ago going to Dale's lake home with Deedee. Hugs to the family as you begin your grief journey.
Pam Burt (Venzke)

Pamela Venzke Burt - March 19, 2025 at 04:51 PM

KM

“ Karen Hunnicutt Meyer lit a candle in memory of Dale Dobson



Karen Hunnicutt Meyer - March 19, 2025 at 04:27 PM

JS

“ We all love Dale & Jan and family so much! We all have such fond memories. Praying 🙏🙏 for all of you. Jim, Barb Jamie and Maggie

Jim, Barb, Jamie & Maggie Sundby - March 19, 2025 at 04:27 PM

JS

“ Jim, Barb, Jamie & Maggie Sundby lit a candle in memory of Dale Dobson



Jim, Barb, Jamie & Maggie Sundby - March 19, 2025 at 04:23 PM



“ Dale sure was a great family friend. He taught me so much and always said "hi". He took the time to talk to me and tell a few jokes. RIP my dear friend. <3

Lynne Piepkorn - March 19, 2025 at 04:12 PM