



## Dale Lovelace

August 23, 1938 - April 2, 2023

Dale Roy Lovelace was born August 23, 1938, at the Bertha hospital, to Alfred and Edna (Young) Lovelace. He grew up with his brothers, Orrin and Dick, on the family farm in rural Verndale MN. Dale attended District 55 country school, which was uphill, both ways, from their home. When that school closed, he attended Hewitt school for 2 years. Dale started his 4 years of high school at Verndale, where he picked up the nickname 'Red' due to his red hair and freckles. He graduated in 1956. Dale worked a variety of jobs throughout his young life – bowling pin setter and helping at the Wadena Roller Rink - to name just a few. All the while, he helped on the family farm, mainly with horses, a love he had for the rest of his life. In 1958, he started working in road construction in the Twin Cities area. He worked on clearing fields and swamps to make some of the major roads throughout the Cities and parts of I-94 up to Rothsay.

He wed Arliss McAllister April 9, 1960, and with the addition of Mike in 1960 and Donna in 1962, they moved to where the dozer work was. They moved to Hewitt in 1965 and Dale traveled Sundays to the job and returned home on Friday nights. Patricia arrived during the worst blizzard of 1966. In April 1969, they bought and moved onto the family farm where 9 months later, Connie arrived.

Apparently, Dale didn't think he was busy enough farming as he bought his first dozer in 1977, beginning a career of custom dozer work and stepping off his last one just last August, a few days after his 84th birthday. He also served

on the Stowe Prairie township board for 33 years.

At the age of 20, Dale picked up the guitar and continued to play his whole life. During the 60s, Dale and his friends had jam sessions in the kitchen. From the 70s and on, Donna joined in playing in the kitchen, with just the family there. Whoever wanted to join in the singing was welcome. There is a special story about the song 'Don't Squeeze My Sharmon' that Arliss, Patricia and Connie share. In the 90s Dale was in his first band, The Pickers and the Gridders, with other local musicians. The last several years, he loved to play for different communities, nursing homes and join in other jam sessions. Dale also enjoyed hunting, 4 wheeling and riding his golf cart all over the farm, especially riding with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Dale loved spending time with all his family – wife, children, grand and great-grandchildren - along with all of the bonus grandchildren, great-grandchildren and even 2 great-great-grandchildren, who all came along with his children's families.

Dale passed away on Sunday April 2nd, 2023, at home with family.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Alfred and Edna; daughter, Donna Link; in-laws, Henry and Ruby McAllister; brother, Orrin; son-in-law, Greg Schlosser; and grandson, Cody Lovelace.

Survived by his wife of almost 63 years, Arliss; son, Mike (Jody) – Verndale; daughters, Patricia Anderson - Circle Pines and Connie (Jim) Lepper – Wadena; son-in-law, Vaughn Link; grandchildren: Tara (Tom) Lanigan, Courtney (Trevor) Morris, Rhianna Graham (Jacob), Samantha (Clayton) Grossinger, Cassandra Lovelace and Jacob Lepper, 8 (+ 1 on the way) great-grandchildren, 7 bonus grandchildren, 12 bonus great-grandchildren and 2 bonus great-great-grandchildren; brother, Richard (Emelie) Lovelace; sister-in-law, MaryAnn Lovelace; aunt Della Young; and many, many in-laws, nieces, nephews and cousins.

A Celebration of Life Open House will be held on April 29, 2023, at the Hewitt Community Center from 12 until 3:00 p.m. A service of remembrance will begin at 1:00.

Honorary urn bearers will be Marlowe Marsh, Vernell Missling, Gene Hinman, Gary Kneisl, Tim Richter, Steve Richter, Con VanBatavia, Wally Weise, Tim Jasmer, Paul Richter, Bryce Greer, Gary VanDam, Dave Lindblom, Phil Schmidt

Urnbearers will be Jacob Lepper, Matt Lepper, Dan Lepper, Gregory Schmidt, Michael Schlosser, Tom Lanigan, Trevor Morris, Jacob Aune and Clayton Grossinger.

In lieu of flowers, please direct memorials in Dale's name to Knute Nelson Hospice. (420 12th Avenue East Alexandria, MN 56308 or go to: [www.knutenelson.org](http://www.knutenelson.org))

The burial will be in Mt. Nebo Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## Mount Nebo Cemetery

50450 US 71  
Verndale, MN 56481

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life Open House

APR **29**. 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Hewitt Community Center  
512 Wisconsin Street (4th Avenue)  
Hewitt, MN 56453

## Time of Prayers and Sharing

APR **29**. 1:00 PM (CT)

Hewitt Community Center  
512 Wisconsin Street (4th Avenue)  
Hewitt, MN 56453

# Tribute Wall



“ *Schuller Family Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Dale Lovelace*



**Schuller Family Funeral Homes** - April 21, 2023 at 02:21 PM



*Mike's dad*

**Jody Wilson** - April 21, 2023 at 03:45 PM

GL

*WELLDONE*

**Gerald Lovelace** - April 21, 2023 at 04:35 PM

KL

*Very nice*

**Kevin Lovelace** - April 21, 2023 at 11:33 PM

AL

*Merry Christmas. We are doing okay. No snow. 50 above to day. Tell my mom Happy Birthday. 63 years ago tomorrow we went to a dance. We did not have any snow then either. love you always. Arliss*

**Arliss Lovelace** - December 24, 2023 at 08:21 PM

AL

*Hi Honey Merry Christmas We are all okay.. We miss you every day. Did Vern and you get together yet.. We sent one of you picks with him. Wish my mom Happy Birthday for me. She would of been 109 Please give Cody, Gordon, both moms, and both dads a big hug from me. If Jackie is there give her a hug. Love you always Arliss*

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**Arliss Lovelace** - December 24, 2024 at 03:21 PM

AL

*Hi Did Copper get there yet. He was putting a good fight, but we had the vet come out & put him to sleep. It was so wonderful. Connie & I was there. The shot went in & the vet laid him down. that was it. I had Mike put him out behind the hay shed where lacy is.. We are all doing okay here. Love you & miss you Arliss*

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**arliss lovelace** - July 17, 2025 at 07:13 PM

AL

“ *Hi Honey. 66 years tomorrow ... we are still married in my mind. I'm sure there is a heaven. I hope you and the gang Duane, Gary, Vern, Cody don't do some dumb thing and get kicked out of there. I we always love you. Good night.*

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**Arliss Lovelace** - April 08 at 08:35 PM

AL

“ *Hi Dale. Can you give my mom a hug from all of us and wish her a happy birthday. I love you for ever.*

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**Arliss lovelace** - December 24, 2025 at 08:10 PM

AL

“ *Did you give your mom a hug for 114 Birthday. We are doing OK. I love you and miss you. Arliss*

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**Arliss Lovelace** - December 07, 2025 at 07:31 PM

AL

“ 2 years today you went home to be with Jesus. We miss you but are doing ok. I love you always. I will love you for ever.  
Arliss

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**arliss lovelace** - April 02, 2025 at 07:14 PM

AR

“ Hi Honey. Are there guitars in heaven? Vern joined you a couple of weeks ago. We had the funeral yesterday. Patty, Connie & Jim went with me.  
Last week when I was going to the kitchen, something was laying on the floor. I picked it up & it was one of Picks from your service. Patty put it in 1 of the flowers by Vern"s urn.. Tony & Angie put it in the urn. I have had some health problems, but other wise I am doing okay.  
I miss our rides. Love you always. Arliss

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**Arliss** - September 15, 2024 at 03:37 PM

AL

“ Hi Honey. We all miss you, your phone calls, JOKES, the talks. My self I miss our Sunday rides. We all have a part of you in our hearts. I will love you forever. You took part of my heart with you. love Arliss

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**Arliss Lovelace** - April 03, 2024 at 08:08 AM

AL

“ Hi. You have been gone 2 months. The day at a time is lonely with out you. I am doing okay, the kids & Ardy are always helping me out. The old Farm yard is looking different. I don't know if you can keep a eye on us or not. Did you & your buddies, Duane, Gary tell Cody some of your stories? Give Donna & Cody a big hug from me.. You should of seen your party over 300 hundred people came. the Lions served over 280 people.  
I love you so much & always will. I will stop by in a couple of months. Arliss

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**Arliss Lovelace** - June 03, 2023 at 01:51 PM

RL

“ Red & Denise (Anderson) Lowen purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Dale Lovelace.



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**Red & Denise (Anderson) Lowen** - April 27, 2023 at 01:03 PM

DD

“ Denise, Dennis, Sarah, Buzz, Julie, Dan purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Dale Lovelace.



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**Denise, Dennis, Sarah, Buzz, Julie, Dan** - April 23, 2023 at 05:48 PM

GT

“ Genie Tarrell lit a candle in memory of Dale Lovelace



Genie Tarrell - April 22, 2023 at 11:31 AM



“ 42 files added to the album Life Tributes



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - April 21, 2023 at 02:20 PM

BP

“ Barry Sandi Pratt lit a candle in memory of Dale Lovelace



Barry & Sandi Pratt - April 16, 2023 at 09:39 PM



“ Sending love to the whole family. RIP Dale.

Pat Doeden - April 12, 2023 at 02:14 PM

RH

“ *Renee Jim Hegarty lit a candle in memory of Dale Lovelace*



Renee and Jim Hegarty - April 11, 2023 at 11:12 PM

SS

“ *I have often read that red heads are only two percent of the population of the whole world. I also know that your Dad was one of a kind... Heartfelt sympathy to you and yours Mike.*



Sally Siegler - April 11, 2023 at 09:38 PM

MS

“ *Mike Lea Snyder lit a candle in memory of Dale Lovelace*



Mike and Lea Snyder - April 11, 2023 at 09:23 PM

JP

“ *Mike and all the families, so sorry for your loss. He is with our LORD and SAVIOR. May God grant you peace and comfort. Deepest Sympathy. Jay and Jackie*



Jay Perius - April 11, 2023 at 12:28 PM

TF

“ Trent Fore lit a candle in memory of Dale Lovelace



Trent Fore - April 10, 2023 at 12:10 AM

CO

“ Carol Dan Osborn lit a candle in memory of Dale Lovelace



Carol and Dan Osborn - April 08, 2023 at 08:10 AM

SH

“ Sandy Hess lit a candle in memory of Dale Lovelace



Sandy Hess - April 06, 2023 at 06:50 PM

LH

“ Thoughts & prayers to your family. I know Dale will be dearly missed.



Lisa Hoemberg - April 06, 2023 at 05:43 PM

AK

“ *Al Holly Knutson lit a candle in memory of Dale Lovelace*



Al and Holly Knutson - April 05, 2023 at 06:03 PM

LC

“ *Lois & Dale Captain lit a candle in memory of Dale Lovelace*



Lois & Dale Captain - April 05, 2023 at 11:54 AM

CR

“ *Chris Randall lit a candle in memory of Dale Lovelace*



Chris Randall - April 05, 2023 at 11:37 AM

PL

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Patricia Lovelace - April 05, 2023 at 01:39 AM



*L to R, Dick, Orrin and Dale Lovelace*

**Connie Lepper** - April 13, 2023 at 09:31 AM

MO

“ *Mike Ortmann lit a candle in memory of Dale Lovelace*



**Mike Ortmann** - April 04, 2023 at 09:40 PM

BW

“ *Bill Sue White lit a candle in memory of Dale Lovelace*



**Bill and Sue White** - April 04, 2023 at 08:55 PM

SK

“ *Steve Kathy Kuhnke lit a candle in memory of Dale Lovelace*



**Steve @ Kathy Kuhnke** - April 04, 2023 at 08:16 PM

LA

“ *Luther Kathie Abrahamson lit a candle in memory of Dale Lovelace*



Luther & Kathie Abrahamson - April 04, 2023 at 05:38 PM

LA

“ *Luther Kathie Abrahamson lit a candle in memory of Dale Lovelace*



Luther & Kathie Abrahamson - April 04, 2023 at 05:23 PM

GH

“ *Gene Kathy Hinman lit a candle in memory of Dale Lovelace*



Gene & Kathy Hinman - April 04, 2023 at 02:47 PM

JS

“ *Julie Smith lit a candle in memory of Dale Lovelace*



Julie Smith - April 04, 2023 at 02:45 PM

GD

“ *Gene Mary Denny lit a candle in memory of Dale Lovelace*



Gene & Mary Denny - April 04, 2023 at 01:57 PM

LE

“ *Lynn Erickson lit a candle in memory of Dale Lovelace*



Lynn Erickson - April 04, 2023 at 11:57 AM

TO

“ *Trapper and Tina Olson lit a candle in memory of Dale Lovelace*



Trapper and Tina Olson - April 04, 2023 at 11:29 AM

KL

“ *Ken and Nancy Lawson lit a candle in memory of Dale Lovelace*



Ken & Nancy Lawson - April 04, 2023 at 10:49 AM

HJ

“ *Harry Johnson lit a candle in memory of Dale Lovelace*



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**Harry Johnson** - April 04, 2023 at 10:19 AM

JJ

“ *Jon Johnson lit a candle in memory of Dale Lovelace*



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**Jon Johnson** - April 04, 2023 at 10:03 AM

DH

“ *Darrell and Peggy Haman lit a candle in memory of Dale Lovelace*



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**Darrell & Peggy Haman** - April 04, 2023 at 09:54 AM

PD

“ *Patty Desrocher lit a candle in memory of Dale Lovelace*



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**Patty Desrocher** - April 04, 2023 at 09:26 AM

AD

“ *Al and MaryBeth Dolezal sending our prayers to all your family*



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**Al and Mary Beth Dolezal** - April 04, 2023 at 09:13 AM

TO

“ *Much love to Dale's friends and family. He was quite a gem.*



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**Tiffany Orsello** - April 04, 2023 at 08:52 AM

GK

“ *Gene and Sandy Kapphahn lit a candle in memory of Dale Lovelace*



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**Gene & Sandy Kapphahn** - April 04, 2023 at 07:56 AM

MA

“ *Mark and Barb Allen lit a candle in memory of Dale Lovelace*



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**Mark and Barb Allen** - April 04, 2023 at 04:19 AM

MF

“ *Mark & Renee Frethem lit a candle in memory of Dale Lovelace*



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**Mark & Renee Frethem** - April 03, 2023 at 10:44 PM

JI

“ *Jojo and Joshua Iwen lit a candle in memory of Dale Lovelace*



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**jojo & joshua iwen** - April 03, 2023 at 10:18 PM

SK

“ *Steve and Janet Kneisl lit a candle in memory of Dale Lovelace*



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**Steve & Janet Kneisl** - April 03, 2023 at 10:17 PM

BD

“ *Bob Kathy Derby lit a candle in memory of Dale Lovelace*



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**Bob and Kathy Derby** - April 03, 2023 at 09:59 PM

TR

“ *Sharing in your loss, Dale was a good neighbor and he will be greatly missed.* ”



Tim, Sharon, Sara & Stacy Richter - April 03, 2023 at 09:47 PM

BB

“ *Bruce Barb Brown lit a candle in memory of Dale Lovelace* ”



Bruce and Barb Brown - April 03, 2023 at 08:00 PM

NB

“ *Neal Bowman lit a candle in memory of Dale Lovelace* ”



Neal & Leona Bowman - April 03, 2023 at 07:50 PM

LH

“ *Leo Haisman lit a candle in memory of Dale Lovelace* ”



Leo Haisman - April 03, 2023 at 06:45 PM