



## Dennis Peterson

April 25, 1930 - June 9, 2021

The funeral service for Dennis Peterson of Wadena, will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 15, at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Wadena, with Pastors Nate Loer and Megan Clapp presiding.

A gathering of family and friends will be held at the Johnson-Schuller Chapel in Wadena, on Monday from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. and will resume at the church on Tuesday from 9:30 a.m. until the time of the service.

Denny, age 91, passed away after a lengthy illness on June 9, 2021, at his home in Wadena, MN.

Dennis was born to Edwin and Minnie (Dehnel) Peterson on April 25, 1930, in Wykeham Township, Eagle Bend, MN. He attended Sunday School and was confirmed at Petri Lutheran Church. He was a student at District #28 Country School in Germana Township, and graduated high school in 1948 at Eagle Bend. Denny was drafted and honorably served in the US Army from May of 1953 to 1955, having been stationed at Ft. Eustis, VA and at Toul, France, as a heavy equipment operator.

His occupations varied from working at Weibye's Store in Eagle Bend, then five years at the Gambles hardware store in Wadena, before working at the Wadena Post Office as a letter carrier for 29 years. He also started painting

houses part-time in 1985, which became full-time work when he retired from the Postal Service in 1989. He also worked 10 years as a funeral assistant for Al Bielema.

In earlier years, Dennis enjoyed bowling, fishing, hunting, and playing cards, especially pinochle. More recently, he opened his home to many young men who were attending the local technical college. They became close personal friends, maintaining contact for years after graduation.

In Wadena, Dennis was a member of the Elks Lodge (50 yrs), American Legion (62 yrs), with 30 years as Adjutant, and served on the Wadena Cemetery Board (30 yrs) having been President for a time. In 2013, he was honored as the Senior Citizen Volunteer. Denny devoted 55 years to Boy Scouts of America as a scout master and assistant scout master, serving on the Eagle Board of Review, earning the Silver Beaver Award in 1989, and received the Lifetime Achievement Award in 2017.

Preceding Dennis in death were his parents, Edwin and Minnie; siblings Wallace (Ina) Peterson, Eldora (Herb) Johnson, Alice (Lloyd) Lenz, Louis (Diane) Peterson, Ardys (Lauren) Harris, Shirley (Merle) Beheng, Norma Peterson; and brother-in-law Gerald Ohman.

Surviving Dennis are his children, Randy (Christa) Peterson of Wadena and Vicky (James) Rholl of Hendersonville, NC; six grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren; siblings Vera Ohman of Wadena, and Carol (Mark) Peterson of Eveleth; along with many nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers will be John Howard Johnson, Adam Graves, Joshua Graves, Jared Miller, Jon Rholl and Matthew Rholl.

Military honors provided by the Elmer Goche Post 3922, Veterans of Foreign

Wars, Wadena, MN.

Interment will be in Wadena Cemetery, Wadena, MN.

Memorials may be directed to the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Wadena.

# Cemetery Details

## Wadena Cemetery

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 14. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Johnson-Schuller Chapel  
205 4th Street Southwest  
Wadena, MN 56482  
(218) 631-3632

## Visitation

JUN 15. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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

## Service

JUN 15. 11:00 AM (CT)

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



# Tribute Wall

RS

“ Rick Skalsky lit a candle in memory of Dennis Peterson



Rick Skalsky - February 21 at 01:44 PM

AP

“ Dennis did his public service as a mail carrier. Son Randy following in his footsteps. May God comfort the family and may his soul rest in peace.



Arleen A Paulson - June 22, 2021 at 01:54 PM

BP

“ Barry & Sandi Pratt lit a candle in memory of Dennis Peterson



Barry & Sandi Pratt - June 18, 2021 at 12:40 AM

JG

“ Joe Glasrud purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Dennis Peterson.



Joe Glasrud - June 14, 2021 at 11:09 AM

SH

“ Schuller Family Funeral Homes & Cremation Services is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom service.

*Dennis Peterson Funeral Service*

*Time: Jun 15, 2021 11:00 AM Central Time (US and Canada)*

*Join Zoom Meeting*

*<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88985040977>*

*Meeting ID: 889 8504 0977*

*Passcode: Peterson*

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**Schuller Family Funeral Homes** - June 14, 2021 at 11:05 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Dennis Peterson.*



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June 13, 2021 at 11:36 PM

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“ *The Members of Wadena Elks Lodge #2386*



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**The Members of Wadena Elks Lodge #2386** - June 13, 2021 at 11:27 AM

MW

“ *Myron And Karen Winkelman lit a candle in memory of Dennis Peterson*



Myron and Karen Winkelman - June 13, 2021 at 10:31 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Dennis Peterson.*



June 13, 2021 at 10:22 AM

BG

“ *Bob & Donna Grendahl lit a candle in memory of Dennis Peterson*



Bob & Donna Grendahl - June 12, 2021 at 01:29 AM

CB

“ *So thinking of you Denny, loved you cousin! Thank you for sharing so many memories of my mom. Always loved our conversations and good humor...I will miss that. I hope they have raisin cream bars in heaven, if not, I will make some for you when I see you there. Love, Sherry Forseth Berglund*



Cheryl Forseth Berglund - June 11, 2021 at 11:48 AM

DW

“ Dawn Wuollet lit a candle in memory of  
Dennis Peterson



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**Dawn Wuollet** - June 11, 2021 at 01:05 AM

MM

“ Mike Mueller lit a candle in memory of Dennis  
Peterson



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**Mike Mueller** - June 10, 2021 at 11:33 PM

ME

“ Margaret & Peter Van Erp lit a candle in  
memory of Dennis Peterson



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**Margaret & Peter Van Erp** - June 10, 2021 at 05:53 PM

MF

“ Marie Fraune lit a candle in memory of  
Dennis Peterson



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**Marie Fraune** - June 10, 2021 at 05:32 PM

JT

“ *Jim TeVogt lit a candle in memory of Dennis Peterson*



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**Jim TeVogt** - June 10, 2021 at 03:44 PM



“ *Rocky Reese lit a candle in memory of Dennis Peterson*



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**Rocky Reese** - June 10, 2021 at 02:40 PM

SB

“ *Sharon Boline lit a candle in memory of Dennis Peterson*



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**Sharon Boline** - June 10, 2021 at 10:46 AM

ML

“ *Mary & Terry Lynk lit a candle in memory of Dennis Peterson*



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**Mary & Terry Lynk** - June 10, 2021 at 10:04 AM

MH

“ *Marladene Heinen lit a candle in memory of Dennis Peterson*



Marladene Heinen - June 10, 2021 at 09:57 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Dennis Peterson.*



June 10, 2021 at 09:42 AM

JJ

“ *Jon & Patty Johnson lit a candle in memory of Dennis Peterson*



Jon & Patty Johnson - June 10, 2021 at 07:08 AM

DK

“ *Dan Kern lit a candle in memory of Dennis Peterson*



Dan Kern - June 10, 2021 at 06:24 AM

JS

“ *Jim & Tracey Stoneman lit a candle in memory of Dennis Peterson*



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**Jim & Tracey Stoneman** - June 10, 2021 at 06:19 AM

LW

“ *Lynda And Dave Wosmek lit a candle in memory of Dennis Peterson*



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**Lynda and Dave Wosmek** - June 09, 2021 at 10:52 PM



“ *Miss you at coffee. Miss visiting with you and playing cards. Charlie Chase*



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**Gladys Chase** - June 09, 2021 at 10:12 PM

RK

“ *Rich & Mavis Kendall lit a candle in memory of Dennis Peterson*



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**Rich & Mavis Kendall** - June 09, 2021 at 10:03 PM



“ Mike Ortmann lit a candle in memory of Dennis Peterson



Mike Ortmann - June 09, 2021 at 09:55 PM



“ Dennis I will miss your smile and laughter. You made the best peanut butter cookies ever!! Rest in peace my friend, until we meet again.



Penny McManigle - June 09, 2021 at 08:44 PM



“ Glen Donna Wood lit a candle in memory of Dennis Peterson



Glen Donna Wood - June 09, 2021 at 07:42 PM



“ May your soul rest in Peace. Will miss you at our Bluffton Lions 4-wheeler raffle. But I know I will think of you. Marge and Harry Harrison



Marjorie Mohs-Harrison - June 09, 2021 at 06:40 PM

DM

“ Dale & Liz Miller lit a candle in memory of  
Dennis Peterson



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**Dale & Liz Miller** - June 09, 2021 at 05:52 PM

DR

“ David & Barb Rousslang lit a candle in  
memory of Dennis Peterson



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**david & barb rousslang** - June 09, 2021 at 03:17 PM

MS

“ Mike And Lea Snyder lit a candle in memory  
of Dennis Peterson



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**Mike and Lea Snyder** - June 09, 2021 at 02:45 PM



“ Jane Erckenbrack lit a candle in memory of  
Dennis Peterson



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**Jane Erckenbrack** - June 09, 2021 at 02:42 PM

BB

“ Bruce And Barb Brown lit a candle in memory of Dennis Peterson



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**Bruce and Barb Brown** - June 09, 2021 at 01:57 PM

MK

*My deepest sympathy to your family. I will never forget your dad stopping to shoot a basket or two, while on his route, with us on Mom and Dad's driveway. He would shoot from the street, while wearing his mailbag. He also spent many hours painting that same house! May God bless his memory.*

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**Mark Kalina** - June 11, 2021 at 07:46 PM

PB

*Sorry to hear Vicki and Randy, Your dad was a wonderful man and great cook! I miss seeing him at Lake of the Woods, Fort St. Charles.*

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**peter beckel** - June 16, 2021 at 07:51 PM