



Edna Hunnicutt

August 2, 1931 - January 17, 2025

The memorial service celebrating the life of Edna Hunnicutt of Wadena will be held at 11:00a.m. on Saturday, January 25, at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Wadena with Pastor Nate Loer presiding.

Visitation will be held at the church on Saturday from 9:30a.m. until the time of the service.

Burial will be at a later date in the Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery, Little Falls, MN .

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To view the church's live stream of Edna's service go to:

[www.youtube.com/@ILCWadena](https://www.youtube.com/@ILCWadena) or <https://www.facebook.com/immanuelwadena>

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At the age of 93, Edna passed away with family by her side on January 17, 2025, under the gentle care of The Meadows of Wadena and Vivie (formerly Knute Nelson) Hospice staff.

Edna Mae (Borslien) Hunnicutt was born to E. Melvin and Julia (Haugen) Borslien on August 2nd, 1931, in Woodside Township just outside of Erskine, MN. She was baptized and confirmed in Rodnes Lutheran Church in rural Erskine.

During Edna's childhood years, she cherished her time on the farm with her

mother and brothers and sisters. Endless summer days were spent exploring the surrounding fields and woods, lying in the cool grass watching the clouds float lazily by, making up games, listening to the radio, and roller skating at the Maple Lake Pavillion.

Edna attended Maple Grove School through the eighth grade and then graduated from Erskine High School. She then went on to graduate from MN Teacher Training at Red Lake Falls, MN. After teaching for two years in a country school, she earned her associate's degree in education from Moorhead State Teacher's College and then went on to teach at Greenbush, MN, Great Falls, MT, and Walker, MN. She later earned her bachelor's and master's Degrees from Bemidji State University and a Specialist Certificate in Elementary School Administration from St. Cloud State University. In 1971, Edna joined the faculty of Deer Creek Elementary School where she faithfully taught for decades. She also served as Principal for 10 of those years.

On August 16, 1957, she married William (Bill) Hunnicutt at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Minneapolis, MN. Their children, Karen and David, were born in 1959 and 1960.

Their future homes were in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, Bemidji, and Walker, MN until moving to Wadena in 1969. Edna was an active member at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Wadena and was also the proud grandmother of two grandsons, Justin (Denielle) and Max, and a great grandson Ahto.

In addition to her family and teaching, Edna had many interests but none of them greater than reading good books. It was not uncommon for her to have copies of Hemingway, Steinbeck, Fitzgerald, Thoreau, Faulkner, and Harper Lee all in the rotation at the same time. She was adamant that her children were readers and fervently reminded them, "You do not want to put a \$50 haircut on a 50-cent head!" The admonition was taken to heart.

Above all, Edna knew well the eternal mercies of Jesus Christ. By her daily walk and her shining example to all those around her, it was evident that she loved the Lord with all her heart, soul, strength, and mind. One of her favorite verses was Isaiah 40:31, "...those who wait for the Lord will gain new strength; They will mount up with wings like eagles, they will run and not get tired, they will walk and not become weary." In her 93rd wonderful year on this planet, it has finally come to pass. Edna was much loved, and her memory will never be forgotten.

Edna was preceded in death by her parents, husband Bill, and brother Alvin. She leaves behind her children Karen and David (Britt), sisters, Melvina, Betty, and brother Harris, grandsons Justin (Denielle) and Max, great grandson Ahto and many nieces and nephews.

A heartfelt thanks goes out to all of the wonderful people at the Meadows, Vivie Hospice, and Astera Health. You are all angels. We will be forever grateful for your kindness, gentleness, and the extraordinary care you provided for our beloved.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the Meadows, Vivie Hospice, or the Wadena Food Shelf.

Cemetery Details

MN State Veterans Cemetery

15550 Hwy 15
Little Falls, MN 56345

Previous Events

Visitation

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

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

Memorial Service

JAN 25. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

TS

“ My mother, Arliss Broin, would want me to extend her sympathies. Mom has dementia now so she can't write herself but she certainly remembers all the years of friendship.

Terry Schreiber - March 04, 2025 at 02:35 PM

NP

“ Nancy Peterson lit a candle in memory of Edna Hunnicutt



Nancy Peterson - February 05, 2025 at 09:18 AM

PA

“ I so appreciated Edna's mentoring and friendship when I moved to Wadena in the mid-70s. We were in the same ballroom dance and X-C skiing classes and enjoyed some trips around area ski trails. We enjoyed coffee and discussing current events through the years. I know the students and staff at Deer Creek were so fortunate to have her as a teacher and Principal. Edna was a woman of integrity, wisdom and graciousness. Paul Anderson, Wadena

Paul Anderson - January 25, 2025 at 10:09 AM

GP

“ My condolences to Emma's family. Your Mother was a friend of my Mother, Opal who I first enjoyed meeting when she visited Mother while she was recuperating from a fall. I enjoyed reading about her love of reading. She gifted *The Book Thief* to Mother for her 99th birthday.....which became one of my favorite reads. May she rest in peace. Gail

Gail Pierson - January 22, 2025 at 10:59 PM

GP

“ Gail Pierson lit a candle in memory of Edna Hunnicutt



Gail Pierson - January 22, 2025 at 10:49 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Edna Hunnicutt.



January 21, 2025 at 05:54 PM

TF

“ The Harris Borslien Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Edna Hunnicutt.



The Harris Borslien Family - January 21, 2025 at 04:20 PM

TU

“ Mrs. Hunnicutt was my teacher in two grades and I was very excited to have her as a teacher. She was a wonderful person and a wonderful teacher, I always cherished the time I got to know her. My prayers go out to her family as she will be greatly missed.



Teri Uhde - January 21, 2025 at 01:01 PM

ML

“ Karen sending you my deepest sympathy with the loss of your mother.

Mary Lunzer - January 20, 2025 at 02:59 PM

AB

“ Alvida Browne sent a virtual gift in memory of Edna Hunnicutt



Alvida Browne - January 20, 2025 at 10:35 AM

SB

“ Sharon Boline lit a candle in memory of Edna Hunnicutt



Sharon Boline - January 20, 2025 at 10:32 AM

NP

“ *Nissa Pearson lit a candle in memory of Edna Hunnicutt*



Nissa Pearson - January 20, 2025 at 06:54 AM

CA

“ *Cindy Anderson lit a candle in memory of Edna Hunnicutt*



Cindy Anderson - January 20, 2025 at 12:26 AM

DG

“ *Donna Grendahl lit a candle in memory of Edna Hunnicutt*



Donna Grendahl - January 19, 2025 at 10:11 PM



“ *A lot of memories, many Bible studies. Trip to North Carolina etc etc. A great person. So glad we were friends.*



Gladys Chase - January 19, 2025 at 06:02 PM

GC

“ Gary and Marcy Collins lit a candle in memory of Edna Hunnicutt



Gary and Marcy Collins - January 19, 2025 at 09:21 AM

TH

“ Tammie K Hamlin lit a candle in memory of Edna Hunnicutt



Tammie K Hamlin - January 19, 2025 at 08:43 AM

CO

“ Edna will be so missed. She was such a sweet lady and so positive.



Connie - January 19, 2025 at 06:48 AM

JJ

“ Jon and Patty Johnson lit a candle in memory of Edna Hunnicutt



Jon and Patty Johnson - January 18, 2025 at 03:19 PM



*Hugs Karen and family! Hold on to the memories!
Lotsa love from Kathy Meyer*

Kathleen Meyer - January 20, 2025 at 03:39 PM