

Graydon Pladson

January 25, 1933 - January 24, 2026

Memorial services celebrating the life of for Graydon T. Pladson of Wadena will take place at 11:00 AM on Friday, March 13, 2026 at the Joyful Spirit Methodist Church near Wadena, MN Family and friends may gather from 9:30 AM until the time of services at the church on Friday, 3/13/26.

At the age of 92, Graydon died January 24, 2026, in Fergus Falls, MN, at the Minnesota Veterans Home.

Graydon was born at home in Hatton, ND January 25, 1933, the second son of five children born to Ostinus and Clara (Sondreaal) Pladson. He learned English at school as Norwegian was spoken at home.

Graydon served in the Army 1953-1955. Upon completion of his service, he earned a degree at Valley City State Teachers College, where he met his future wife Lillian Yon, of Forest River, ND. He also earned a Master's Degree from UND in Grand Forks.

In 1962, he accepted a job at Wadena Area Technical College teaching business for 30 years. He and Lillian raised two children Dawn and David.

Graydon was a long-time member of the Wadena United Methodist Church and was active in the Masonic Lodge. He and Lil had a small trailer parked at Big Pine Lake for many summers. After retiring, they enjoyed a few bus tours

to various places. Graydon always had a good time but loved being at home taking care of the lawn.

Graydon is survived by his wife of 65 years Lillian; children, Dawn (Jason) Huso of Maplewood, MN and David (Leanne) Pladson of Fargo, ND; seven grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren; sisters Eunice Paaverud of Austin, MN, Twyla Wastvedt of Hatton, ND and Shirley Hines of Townsend, MT.

Preceding Graydon in death was an infant son, Scott Graydon Pladson.

Cemetery Details

Wadena Cemetery

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

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 13. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Joyful Spirit Methodist Church
61847 State Highway 29
Wadena, MN 56482

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Schuller Family Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Graydon Pladson



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - February 26 at 05:50 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Graydon Pladson.



March 12 at 01:15 PM



“ Sorry to hear of the loss of your father. Blessings to all!!



Phil Stotesbery - March 06 at 05:58 PM

SJ

“ Mr. Pladson was my teacher back in 1988 at Wadena Tech. He was a great teacher! R.I.P. Graydon 🙏



Shannon Jedlicka - March 03 at 02:53 PM



“ 32 files added to the album Life Tributes



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Graydon Pladson family. From left to right: Back row: Betty, Ernie, Graydon, Ernie, and Marjorie. Front row: Graydon Pladson (1938-2008), Ernie, and Clark. (Overhead) Pladson (1938-2008).



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - February 26 at 05:47 PM

TF

“ The Marquette family purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Graydon Pladson.



The Marquette family - February 11 at 11:24 AM

DS

“ *Mr Pladson was one of my teachers at WadenaTech. Helped make me who I am today. RIP Mr. Pladson*



Dave Schumacher - February 05 at 09:31 PM

LB

“ *Lucille A Belch lit a candle in memory of Graydon Pladson*



Lucille A Belch - February 03 at 10:31 AM

KP

“ *Lillian, Dawn, David and families, I was so sorry to see that Graydon passed away. I may have been pretty young when we lived on Irving, but still have good memories of that time. Of course the families stayed in touch long after those early years to create more memories. Graydon was a good man. My heart goes out to all of you. Krista (Lien) Potter*

Krista (Lien) Potter - January 29 at 04:06 PM

HJ

“ *Helen Jackson lit a candle in memory of Graydon Pladson*



Helen Jackson - January 29 at 10:38 AM

RW

“ Roger L Wiese lit a candle in memory of Graydon Pladson



Roger L Wiese - January 28 at 12:10 PM

LK

“ Lee & Patty Kicker lit a candle in memory of Graydon Pladson



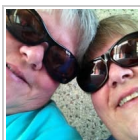
Lee & Patty Kicker - January 27 at 02:10 PM

LY

“ Linda Youngbauer lit a candle in memory of Graydon Pladson



Linda Youngbauer - January 26 at 09:06 PM



“ I enjoyed Mr. Pladson when I attended the Technical School. He always shook his head and laughed when he would see my yellow legal paper! RIP Graydon



Rocky Reese - January 26 at 07:10 PM

SP

“ Lil and family, so sorry for your loss of Graydon. Graydon & my dad Marvin met when they both taught at the tech school and became best friends as did you Lil and my mom Naomi. You have been so faithful visiting Graydon at the Fergus Falls Veteran Home. Graydon was a great guy and respected by many. He will be missed. May the Lord watch over all of you and comfort to you all. We love you.
Sandi & Barry Pratt

Sandi pratt - January 26 at 06:14 PM

SP

“ Sandi Pratt lit a candle in memory of Graydon Pladson



Sandi pratt - January 26 at 06:05 PM

SK

“ Dawn & family, we were so sorry to hear about your dad. Thoughts and prayers are with you all. Mark & Sharon (Krier) Kalina

sharon Kalina - January 26 at 04:21 PM

LM

“ Lois Miller lit a candle in memory of Graydon Pladson



Lois Miller - January 26 at 01:10 PM

MS

“ *mike and Lea Snyder lit a candle in memory of Graydon Pladson*



mike and Lea Snyder - January 26 at 10:35 AM

JL

“ *Deepest sympathy. The road to eternal peace can be a long one. sympathy to the family*

Joanne Lynk - January 26 at 09:13 AM

JS

“ *Forever family friend and neighbor. Prayers to his family*



Jim & Tracey Stoneman - January 26 at 08:12 AM

IB

“ *My thoughts and prayers go out to the family. He was a great teacher and friend. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him.*

Irene Baron - January 25 at 09:30 PM

IB

“ *My thoughts and prayers are the family at this time. He was a very teacher and friend. He will be missed by all who knew him.* ”



Irene Baron - January 25 at 09:23 PM

JJ

“ *Jon Johnson lit a candle in memory of Graydon Pladson* ”



Jon Johnson - January 25 at 08:33 PM