



James Overland

November 29, 1943 - February 24, 2026

The memorial service celebrating the life of James Overland of Wadena and formerly of Morris, will be held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, March 14, 2026 at the Immanuel Lutheran Church, Wadena. Friends may call at the church on Saturday, from 9:30 a.m. until the time of the service.

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You are invited to watch the service via live-stream by going to:

[www.youtube.com/@ILCWadena](http://www.youtube.com/@ILCWadena)

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James Joseph Overland, 82, Wadena, MN passed away on Tuesday, Feb. 24, 2026, in the Hospice House at Sanford on Broadway in Fargo, ND after battling cancer.

Jim Overland was born to Joe and Alvina (Petersen) Overland on November 29, 1943, in Cove, WA. He moved with his family to Onstad Township in Polk County, MN, when he was eight months old. He attended Fertile school graduating in 1962. He then attended North Dakota State School of Science in Wahpeton, ND, graduating with a degree in Drafting and Estimating. Jim accepted a job with Lampert Lumber and managed lumber yards in St. Peter, Hanska and Morris, MN. He then managed the Municipal Liquor store for the City of Morris, retiring in 2009.

Jim and his high school sweetheart, Nina Rude, were married on September

5, 1964, at Concordia Lutheran Church in Fertile, MN. They raised three wonderful children Sara, John and David. Jim was a dedicated member of the Lions Club in Morris for many years and was a dependable force behind the scenes of the bingo stand at the Stevens County Fair. In 2015, Jim and Nina moved to Wadena, to be closer to their kids and grandchildren. Jim enjoyed bowling, golfing, fishing, working in his wood shop, and most of all, being with his family.

Jim is survived by his wife of 61 years Nina; children Sara (Kevin) Ross, John (Karla) Overland, and David Overland; grandchildren: Isaac Overland, Gabrielle Ross, Noah (McKenzi) Ross, Elsa Overland, Abram Overland, Phillip Ross, Wesley Overland, and Nolan Overland; sister, Ardell (Gilmur) Eia; sister-in-law, Marian (Wally) Salzwedel; along with many nieces and nephews.

Preceding Jim in death were his parents, Joe and Alvina Overland; father-in-law, Alfred Rude; mother-in-law Hilma Rude; sister, Arlene Montreuil; brother-in-law, Ernie Montreuil; niece, Diane Montreuil Dale; nephew, Keith Montreuil; sister-in-law, Judy Stoxen; and daughter-in-law, Samantha Overland.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 14. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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

Memorial Service

MAR 14. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

CA

“ I have many good memories of Jim from our Lion Club days. For quite a few years, Jim and I teamed up in search of prizes for the Bingo stand at the Stevens County Fair. Working with Jim was never a chore!

Sara, John, and David: Your dad's kind ways (along with equally good influence from your mom, I'm sure) were evident in you throughout the years I knew from school.

Wishing the entire Overland family comfort, and may Jim rest in peace.

John L. Anderson

Carla Anderson - March 10 at 05:42 PM

KO

“ 1 file added to the album Jim Overland



Karla Overland - March 10 at 05:42 PM

DI

“ I worked for Jim at Lamperts for years. The best boss in the world. I was going through a divorce and was probably crying every day for one of those years. He put up with me with great sympathy and he and Nina helped me move from the country into Morris. Nobody worked harder at Lamperts than he did and when we did annual inventory late into the evening, nobody was dirtier than he was. What a great guy and wonderful family!

Diane Wevley Schmidt

Diane - March 06 at 06:43 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Overland.



March 05 at 05:46 PM



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

March 05 at 05:46 PM

MM

“ Marjorie Mohs-Harrison lit a candle in memory of James Overland



Marjorie Mohs-Harrison - February 28 at 12:57 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of James Overland.*



February 27 at 02:25 PM



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

February 27 at 02:25 PM



“ *Judy Erdahl lit a candle in memory of James Overland*



Judy Erdahl - February 25 at 02:31 PM



“ *Jim was manager at Lampert Lumber in Morris when I designed and sold homes there. Great guy...God Bless 🙏
Bob Price (RIP)*



Bob Price (RIP) - February 25 at 12:25 PM

JL

“ *Deepest sympathy. cry, scream, laugh, build a snowman, what ever you need at the moment.*

Remember your friends are around to support you. Lean on us. The two of you have always been on the giving side. It will be hard to ask for help- but you need to. We morn with you.

Joanne Lynk - February 25 at 11:36 AM

RB

“ *Our thoughts and prayers for you, Nina, Sara and families.*



Ray and Dorothy Beyer - February 25 at 10:52 AM

JJ

“ *Jon and Patty Johnson lit a candle in memory of James Overland*



Jon and Patty Johnson - February 24 at 08:21 PM