



James Sorenson

July 3, 1921 - November 29, 2014

Funeral services for James Howard Sorenson of Staples, and formerly of Wadena, will be held at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, December 3, 2014 at the Johnson - Schuller Chapel in Wadena with Rev. Jean-Claude Duncan presiding. Friends may call at the funeral home on Wednesday from 9:30 AM until the time of services. Jim passed away at the age of 93 years on Saturday, November 29, 2014 at the Lakewood Systems Care Center in Staples with family at his side under the gentle care of Lakewood Hospice of Staples.

Jim was born on July 3, 1921, in Clarks Grove, MN to Nels and Esther Sorenson. He grew up in Clarks Grove, attended country school, and served in the Army/Air Force in WWII. In 1951, Jim married Nellie Hamor of Ellendale, MN and in 1956 they moved to Wadena, where they bought a farm and raised their four children. Jim's hobbies included deer hunting, fishing and wood-working. Farming was his main life-long profession, along with various carpentry jobs and employment at the Equity Milling Company. He had a special way with animals, and the animals on his farm were also his pets. Jim was a member of the United Methodist Church.

Jim moved to Staples in 2010, where he resided at the Lakewood Pines Assisted Living apartments and later the Lakewood Care Center. It was there, at the age of 93, Jim passed away on November 29, 2014.

Jim was preceded in death by wife, Nellie L. Sorenson on May 24, 2014, parents, Nels J. and Esther L. Sorenson; and great-granddaughter Leah.

Survivors include daughter LaVonne (David) Danzl of Champlin, MN; sons Gene (Jane) of Wadena, MN, Richard (Mary) of LaCrosse, WI, and Terry of Forest Lake, MN; grandchildren Ryan, Dustin, Alisha, and Colton; great-grandchildren Haedyn, Avery, Blaine and Collin; along with several nieces and nephews.

Interment will be at the Wadena Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Wadena Cemetery

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

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 3. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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

Service

DEC 3. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

CB

“ *The neighborhood is missing a wonderful man! My siblings and I made many trips down our driveway to visit Jim & Nellie. It was like having another set of grandparents next door. Even if it was just a quick wave when Jim went out to get the mail, his smile was always a day brightener. Heaven has gained an amazing couple this year!*

Carla Blashack (Uselman)

Carla Blashack - December 05, 2014 at 03:20 PM



DA

“ *I have fond memories of Jim and Nellie, our neighbors, when I was growing up. They were good, hardworking folks! May your memories be blessed. Diane (Neuerburg) Anderson*

Diane Anderson - December 02, 2014 at 08:55 PM



PS

“ *Paul & Gwen Skillings lit a candle in memory of James Sorenson*

Paul & Gwen Skillings - December 02, 2014 at 02:47 PM





“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James Sorenson.*



December 02, 2014 at 12:01 PM



“ *Mike An Sally Koolmo lit a candle in memory of James Sorenson*



mike an sally koolmo - December 02, 2014 at 11:10 AM



“ *Bruce And Trish Steinkopf lit a candle in memory of James Sorenson*



Bruce and Trish Steinkopf - December 01, 2014 at 10:56 PM



“ *Pat Lorentz lit a candle in memory of James Sorenson*



Pat Lorentz - December 01, 2014 at 09:52 PM

NL

“ Sympathy to the family of Jim Sorenson. May God Bless you with many good memories.

Norma Lee

Norma J Lee - December 01, 2014 at 03:19 PM

DT

“ Sending sympathy on behalf of the late Ralph and Birdie Heern who were good friends of Jim and Nellie. Donna (Heern) Trana and Wanda (Heern) Marquardt

Donna Trana - December 01, 2014 at 02:32 PM

FG

“ Friends from the Gang purchased the Secret Garden Basket for the family of James Sorenson.



Friends from the Gang - December 01, 2014 at 01:15 PM

CA

“ I was so sorry to hear about the lost of your father. Jim & Nellie were my favorite aunt & uncle. We always had a great time during the summer going up north. We can not go to the funeral but our thoughts will be with you. Carolyn & Marlin Anderson

Carolyn Anderson - December 01, 2014 at 08:28 AM

AD

“ *Audrey Davis lit a candle in memory of James Sorenson*



Audrey Davis - November 30, 2014 at 10:11 PM

JU

“ *John Uselman lit a candle in memory of James Sorenson*



john uselman - November 30, 2014 at 07:04 PM