



## Jerry Wegscheid

October 11, 1935 - April 19, 2008

Jerome G. "Jerry" Wegscheid was born to his parents Alphonse & Theresa (Langer) Wegscheid on October 11, 1935 in Bluffton. He passed away on Saturday, April 19th at Tri-County Hospital in Wadena. Jerry was united in marriage to Nellie Hendrickx on June 17, 1958 at the St. Stanislaus Catholic Church in Perham. They have made their home in Wadena for the past 50 years. Jerry worked for the Wadena Dairy Products as a lab tech from 1960 - 1969. He then went to work for Tri-County Hospital as the Purchasing Manager in 1969 where he worked until retiring in 2002. Since 2002 he has worked part time for the Johnson Memorial Home. Jerry was a very active member of the community. He was a member of the Wadena Elks Lodge where he served as Chaplain, he was a past president of the Wadena Lions Club, served on the Wadena Fire Department for 22 years, the Knights of Columbus, Catholic Aid and was a member of the Minnesota Amateur Baseball Assoc. board for 18 years. Jerry received the Mike Downs Memorial award in 1984, was inducted into the MN Amateur Baseball Hall of Fame in 1986, the Cliff Birch Memorial Award in 1989, was the Elks Officer of the Year in 2002, recipient of the Helen Keller Sight Award - the Melvin Jones Award and Lion of the Year in 2000 from the Wadena Lions Club. Jerry was passionate about amateur baseball. He enjoyed playing golf, reading, crossword puzzles, playing cards, yard work, telling stories, brightening a co-workers day, traveling, watching the Minnesota Twins and Vikings. He especially loved his time with his family, children and grandchildren. Jerry was

preceded in death by his parents; son Greg, sister Dolores. He is survived by his loving wife of 49 years, Nellie; daughters Vicki (Chris) Singer of Detroit Lakes and Sally (Lyle) Wattermann of Savage; sons Tim (Dianne) of Shorewood and Scott (Courtney) of Greeley, CO: grandchildren Staci, Kayla, Nicole, Adam, Haley, Jaelynn, Landon, Aaron, Kyle, Nolan, Lance, Wade, Christine, Alex & Ryan; brothers Marvin (Mary) of Bluffton, Vince (Vera) of Wadena and Bob (Barb) of Mankato; nieces, nephews, cousins and in laws; and his special soup maker Marian Laust. The Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11:00 AM on Thursday, April 24th at the St. Ann's Catholic Church with Fr. Donald Wagner as celebrant. Burial will take place in the Calvary Cemetery. Honorary pallbearers will be Duane & MaryLou Lien, Bernie & Therese Pavek, Duane & Vonnie Moore, Johnson Memorial Home staff, members of the Elks Lodge, Wadena Lions Club and the Wadena Fire Department. Active pallbearers will be members of the Minnesota State Amateur Baseball board; John Richter, Bob Zellman, Fred Roufs, Dennis Brennan, Tom Rademacher, Jim Fischer, Brian Larson, Marv Fiemeyer & Dave Hartmann. In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred to the St. Ann's Stain Glass Window Fund.

# Tribute Wall

SC

“ *Nellie and Family - I am so sorry for your loss. I enjoyed working with Jerry for many years - he always had a wonderful sense of humor! Our prayers are with you during this time.*

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**Salli Crawford** - April 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TK

“ *Aunt Nellie:*

*Please accept my deepest condolences on the passing of Jerry. I remember fondly the trips that Gene, Marie and the rest of the Kennedy clan would take to Minnesota.*

*I will keep you and the rest of your family in my thoughts and prayers.*

*Tim Kennedy*

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**Tim Kennedy** - April 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ *His fight, faith, and attitude through his whole battle with this awful disease has been an inspiration to us all. He gave true witness to devotion to the Good Lord to see him through. He deserves eternal rest.*

*Love and prayers to each of his family members. Keith & Karen Goeller*

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**Keith and Karen Goeller** - April 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

FK

“ *Nellie and family*

*you have my sincere condolences on Jerry's passing...I will keep him as well as all of you in my prayers...*

*May God comfort you in this time of sorrow*

*Frank Kennedy*

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**Frank Kennedy** - April 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ *Nellie,*

*I am so sorry for the loss of your loving husband. Some of my fondest childhood memories of visiting Minnesota involve you and Jerry.*

*I will continue to keep you and your family in my prayers.*

*Love, Patty*

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**Patty Kennedy Becker** - April 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TK

“ *Nellie,*

*Our thoughts and prayers are with you through this difficult time. God Bless you and your family.*

*Tim and Karla Kupfer*

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**Tim and Karla Kupfer** - April 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

WB

“ *Thanks to Jerry for my 20 years of being my boss at Tri County. For his last 15 years at Tri County Laundry made his first cup of coffee every morning*

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**Wilma Becker** - April 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CK

“ Jerry hired me at T.C.H for Lundry. He was a very special person and will be missed a lot  
Carrie Krueger

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**Carrie Krueger** - April 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

VC

“ My deepest sympathy is with you and your family. I remember fondly working with Jerry at Tri-County Hospital. His great sense of humor made every day enjoyable. I was fortunate to have been able to visit with him and share a few laughs this past July at Toni and Matt's wedding. We will all miss him.

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**Vicki (Theisen) Chesney** - April 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

ME

“ Nellie and family  
We are very sorry to hear of Jerry's death. Marie's entire family sends our condolences and our prayers. We pray that God will grant you peace as you journey through these hard times.

Thank you for the updates on the CaringBridge website. It was nice to be part of the process from as far away as Kansas City.

God's blessings to all of you,  
Maureen Elder

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**Maureen Kennedy Elder** - April 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

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“ Dear Vicki & Family,

*It's been a long time since we've been in contact. I am so sorry for your loss. I lost my dad(Harley)back in 1999 and it's still hard for me. I know what you are going through. Please know that you are all in my prayers. GOD BLESS!! Email me or give me a call Vicki!!*

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**Amy Warner (Sexe)** - April 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ *I am SO sorry for your loss. The tribute video was very sweet. I pray that you feel God's peace and comfort during this sad time.*

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**Carla (Suchoski) Good** - April 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM