



Lawrence Christiansen

August 2, 1909 - April 17, 2006

Lawrence Albin Christiansen was born to his parents Charles & Annie (Johnson) Christiansen on August 2, 1909 in Eagle Bend, Minnesota. He passed away early on Monday, April 17th at the Fair Oaks Lodge in Wadena. Lawrence has spent most of his life in the Bertha and Wadena area. He worked for some time in Illinois as a painter before returning to rural Bertha to farm. Lawrence was a member of the Masonic Lodge. He also enjoyed woodworking, card clubs and doing church activities. Lawrence was united in marriage to Evelyn Johnson on Feb. 4, 1934 in Belvidere, Illinois. Evelyn passed away on Sept. 11, 1984 at their home in Bertha. On Nov. 16, 1985 he was united in marriage to Florence Lehman in the Chapel of the Flowers in Eagle Bend. Together they made their home in Wadena before moving into Humphrey Manor. Lawrence was preceded in death by his first wife Evelyn; his parents; and his brothers Elmer, Guy & Leonard. He is survived by his wife Florence of Wadena; daughter Cheryl (Clair) Mattson of Blaine; step-son Larry (Kaia) Lehman of Kenyon, MN; 2 grandchildren; 2 step-grandchildren; 2 great-grandchildren and 2 step-great grandchildren. Funeral services will be held on Friday, April 21st at the Faith Lutheran Church in Eagle Bend with Rev. Cordell and Mary Carol Strug officiating. Pallbearers will be John Christiansen, Melvin Christiansen, Jim Fransen, Wally Wiese, Arnold Kneisl & Roselyn Arvidson. Burial will take place next to his first wife Evelyn in the Hope Lutheran Cemetery in rural Eagle Bend.

Tribute Wall

KT

“ Grandpa,
You are surely going to be missed. You have been a joy in our life and you will never be forgotten. The kids will have a special memory of their great grandfather for the rest of their lives. Not to many kids can say they got to meet their GREAT grandfather. Thank you for all the good times and memories. Now you can take care of all the people that have already passed and take care of our "BUDDY"!! Remember, he likes to fetch corn cobs!
Love you Grandpa!

Kevin, Lisa, Cory, and Tyler - April 17, 2006 at 12:00 AM

LD

“ Cheryl, I am sorry to hear about your Dad. I remember your parents and our church in Hewitt. We had lots of good times. I am sorry we lost touch over the years but wanted you to know I care. LaVonne

LaVonne Drayna - April 17, 2006 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ To Cheryl and all of the family,
It's so great to be treated like one of the family, but then your loss is also my loss. Since I heard the sad news I've been thinking so much of "Grandpa" and what a kind and gentle man he was. I don't remember him ever saying anything bad about anyone. I'll miss his smile and patient manner, and Christmas at the Mattsons will never be the same. I'm keeping all of you and Florence in my thoughts and prayers. He lived quite a life. Remember the good times.

Jeanne Anderson - April 17, 2006 at 12:00 AM

HA

“ WE WANTED TO KNOW THAT ALL OF YOU ARE IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS. LAWRENCE HAD A GOOD LONG LIFE AND IT WAS TIME FOR HIM TO SAY GOOD-BYE. I WILL REMEMBER ALL THE GOOD TIMES AT YOUR PLACE BY HEWITT BEFORE EITHER OF US WERE MARRIED AND THE ONES AFTER WE WERE MARRIED AND HAD FAMILIES. FIND COMFORT IN EACH OTHER NOW AND WE WILL TALK TO YOU SOON. LOVE AND HUGS.

HOWARD AND BARB ANDERSON - April 17, 2006 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ Cheryl, I want you to know my thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. You were so lucky to have your Dad for so many years and in good health for so long. Our families had a lot of good times together.

Marilyn

Marilyn Bower Peterson - April 17, 2006 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ Florence and family my thoughts and love are with you on Friday and always.

Laila Gatts - April 17, 2006 at 12:00 AM