



Leo Wallace

April 11, 1936 - February 10, 2021

The public funeral service for Leo Wallace, of Wadena, will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 20, at the Johnson-Schuller Chapel in Wadena, with Pastor Kali Christensen presiding. A public visitation will be held at Johnson-Schuller Chapel on Friday from 4:00 until 7:00 p.m. and will resume at the chapel on Saturday from 9:30 a.m. until the time of the service.

Leo, age 84, passed away on February 10, 2021, at his home in Wadena, MN, with the loving care of his family and Knute Nelson Hospice.

Leo was born to Clifford and Helene (Henning) Wallace on April 11, 1936, in Buffalo Center, IA. His family moved to the area in 1942, where he attended country school and Union Corners Church.

Leo was united in marriage with Carol Joyce Sandburg on August 9, 1958, at the Faith Lilac Way Evangelical Lutheran Church in Robbinsdale, MN.

He served in the US Army from 1958 until his honorable discharge in 1960, having been stationed in Ft. Carson, Co, Ft Ord, CA, Camp Drum, NY and Ft Devens, MA. During his working years, Leo was extremely proud to manage the Fleet Store in Litchfield, work as a farmer, and drive truck for Timber Roots in Wadena.

Hours away from work, Leo found joy in the outdoors and hunting. He could

be found striking up conversations at auctions and garage sales. He enjoyed a good parade and town celebrations, but most of all, time spent with family!

Leo will be remembered for his helpful and generous spirit, his fun-loving sense of humor, and his strong work ethic. He handed out candy and 50 cent pieces on a regular basis to family and strangers alike. His legendary vocabulary included, but was not limited to: “by golly!”, “by jiminy!”, “it’s a bearcat!”, and “it’s a corker!”.

Preceding Leo in death were his parents, Clifford and Helene; siblings, Jack Wallace, and Myrna Ternes; brothers-in-law, Isadore Ternes and Vern Strehlow; and nephew, Randy Ternes.

Memories of Leo will be treasured by his loving wife of 62 years, Carol; children, Cheryl Whitchurch of Alexandria, Scott (Darla) Wallace of Houston, MN, Todd Wallace of Melrose, and Kirk Wallace of Wadena; grandchildren, Derek (Brittany), Brennan (Megan), Jaden, Dave, McKenna Wallace, Andrew and Zach (Vanessa) Whitchurch, and Brooke Lorentz; great-grandchildren, Vivian, William, and Jameson Wallace; siblings, Marlene Strehlow and Roger Wallace; sister-in-law, Carol Wallace of Wadena; along with several nieces and nephews.

Serving as pallbearers will be Leo’s grandchildren.

Burial will be in Wadena Cemetery, Wadena, MN.

The family prefers memorials be directed to the Boys & Girls Club, or Knute Nelson Hospice.

Cemetery Details

Wadena Cemetery

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

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 19. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Johnson-Schuller Chapel
205 4th Street Southwest
Wadena, MN 56482

Visitation

FEB 20. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Johnson-Schuller Chapel
205 4th Street Southwest
Wadena, MN 56482

Service

FEB 20. 11:00 AM (CT)

Johnson-Schuller Chapel
205 4th Street Southwest
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Tribute Wall



“ *Schuller Family Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Leo Wallace*



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - February 15, 2021 at 04:34 PM

JH

This vidio made me smile from start to finish. Sure enjoyed visiting with Mr. Wallace. Can't wait to visit with him again in heaven. ❤️

Jason Hardy - February 19, 2021 at 08:32 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Leo Wallace.*



February 19, 2021 at 01:27 PM

PW

“ *Phyllis Wilkening lit a candle in memory of Leo Wallace*



Phyllis Wilkening - February 18, 2021 at 08:17 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Leo Wallace.*



February 18, 2021 at 05:20 PM



“ *We will miss talking to Leo at the Tuesday afternoon auction. Our prayers to all of Leo's family. He will be missed.*



Teri Uhde & Phyllis Drum - February 17, 2021 at 01:31 PM



“ *Prayers to Leo's family. I didn't know him personally but my in-laws did. They spoke highly of him! I do know that he and Carol raised some amazing kids! Hugs to all.*



Brenda Bushinger Bakken - February 16, 2021 at 05:38 PM



“ 42 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - February 15, 2021 at 04:33 PM

JB

“ *Carol and family,
So sorry to hear about Leo, such a great guy who always took the
the time to visit whenever we would see him. Our thoughts and
prayers are with all of you.*

Dale and Jackie Becker

Jackie Becker - February 15, 2021 at 10:45 AM

JB

“ *Jackie Becker lit a candle in memory of Leo
Wallace*



Jackie Becker - February 15, 2021 at 10:42 AM

GC

“ Gary And Marcy Collins lit a candle in memory of Leo Wallace



Gary and Marcy Collins - February 15, 2021 at 09:00 AM

NL

“ Carol, It was always a joy to see you and Leo. He always had a smile and an upbeat attitude. He was a special man.

Lyman & Norma Lee



Norma Lee - February 14, 2021 at 01:25 PM

HA

“ Carol and family, so sorry to hear about Leo's passing. He was a great guy, always had a smile on his face and never a cross word for anyone. Had may good visits in The Uptown over 40 years and on Sat. when he was at McDonalds and I would drop off the shopper there. Great guy, will miss our chats and his " By golly " one of his favorite sayings. You are in our thoughts and prayers.



Helen Allee - February 14, 2021 at 12:15 PM

RA

“ Roger JoAnn Anderson lit a candle in memory of Leo Wallace



Roger JoAnn Anderson - February 13, 2021 at 09:07 PM

PT

“ Leo had a greeting and a smile for everyone. It was always a pleasure to visit with him. We will miss him. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Phil Thoennes - February 13, 2021 at 04:02 PM

RN

“ We lost a good man the day Leo died. Memories of coffee get together at McDonalds when they were open-his laughter-sense of humor-passing out 50cent pieces to little kids and seeing how happy that made them, "By Golly" statements and just visiting with him. You could tell he loved his wife and kids so much and were proud of each and everyone of them-he had that "Twinkle" in his eyes when talking of his family. We will save you a chair whenever McDonald's ever open again Leo-gonna miss you. Ron and Nancy Walz

Ron and Nancy - February 13, 2021 at 02:52 PM

MW

“ Myron And Karen Winkelman lit a candle in memory of Leo Wallace



Myron and Karen Winkelman - February 13, 2021 at 11:37 AM

MS

“ Mike And Lea Snyder lit a candle in memory of Leo Wallace



Mike and Lea Snyder - February 13, 2021 at 08:57 AM

GD

“ Prayers for Leo's family. May the peace of God bring comfort to you all. We will miss his smiling face.



George & Julie Deiss - February 13, 2021 at 07:20 AM

DT

“ Carol and family- we are sorry for this loss. Leo and you were good neighbors. Along with you, we will miss him. Praying for God's comfort as you adjust. Duane and Donna Trana

Donna Trana - February 12, 2021 at 10:17 PM

MF

“ Carol and family- Leo was one great guy. I don't think I ever saw him without a smile on his face and always so friendly. ~~~Marie

Marie Fraune - February 12, 2021 at 08:48 PM

TB

“ Tom And Joan Brauch sent a virtual gift in memory of Leo Wallace



Tom and Joan Brauch - February 12, 2021 at 08:04 PM

CO

“ Dan and I always enjoyed talking to Leo at the Tuesday night auction before he had to go home for supper. Great guy.

Carol A Osborn - February 12, 2021 at 07:26 PM

CM

“ Char Motschenbacher lit a candle in memory of Leo Wallace



Char Motschenbacher - February 12, 2021 at 07:25 PM

LB

“ Linda Borntreger lit a candle in memory of Leo Wallace



Linda borntreger - February 12, 2021 at 06:47 PM

KL

“ Ken & Nancy Lawson lit a candle in memory of Leo Wallace



Ken & Nancy Lawson - February 12, 2021 at 03:02 PM

BD

“ Bob And Kathy Derby lit a candle in memory of Leo Wallace



Bob and Kathy Derby - February 12, 2021 at 01:33 PM

Sharon Boline

“ Sharon Boline lit a candle in memory of Leo Wallace



Sharon Boline - February 12, 2021 at 01:20 PM

MS

“ Leo was the greatest caring brother any one would like. He always cared about all of us. Will mss him a lot. Sis Marlene

Marlene Strehlow - February 12, 2021 at 11:39 AM

BB

“ *Betty Barr lit a candle in memory of Leo Wallace*



Betty Barr - February 12, 2021 at 10:52 AM

LT

“ *I've known Leo over 40 years...fond memories. A life well lived. My condolences to the family. Rest In Peace.*

Les Thorstenson - February 12, 2021 at 09:56 AM

JB

“ *Jack & Lucille Belch lit a candle in memory of Leo Wallace*



Jack & Lucille Belch - February 12, 2021 at 09:41 AM

PD

“ *Patty Desrocher lit a candle in memory of Leo Wallace*



Patty Desrocher - February 12, 2021 at 09:11 AM

TM

“ *My deepest sympathies go out to all of you. Leo will forever have a very special place in my heart. We worked together at Timber Roots for several years. He was always such a kind, thoughtful and happy guy! I still have a few of the trinkets that he would bring back after returning from one of his deliveries. My kids were on the receiving end of his 50 cent pieces and even some gold dollars! He was one of a kind and will be truly missed! May God bless you all during this difficult time and know that your precious husband, father and grandfather will never be forgotten!* ”

Tammy Majjala - February 12, 2021 at 09:05 AM

FC

“ *Francine Cole lit a candle in memory of Leo Wallace* ”



Francine Cole - February 12, 2021 at 08:32 AM



“ *Gladys Chase lit a candle in memory of Leo Wallace* ”



Gladys Chase - February 12, 2021 at 08:30 AM

DK

“ Dan Kern lit a candle in memory of Leo Wallace



Dan Kern - February 12, 2021 at 06:13 AM

MI

“ To this day I still remember on March 9th 1984 Leo gave myself and his boy Todd a ride 1 mile outside of Staples to hop the Freight Train we ended up in California. That started my adventure to the state of Washington. Leo was one Hell of a nice man, I will never meet another guy like him. RIP Leo!!

Mitch Irons - February 11, 2021 at 10:03 PM

CK

“ Best neighbor ever...we bought horse hay from him and he would always help me get it up into my barn! He loved to talk politics. He walked our road and rode his bicycle for exercise. After selling his farm he continued to drive by regularly. He has been missed and will continue to be a fond memory for us. Condolences to his beautiful wife Carol and to all his family and friends... Chuck and Darla

Chuck and Darla Krause - February 11, 2021 at 09:08 PM

EF

“ Esther And Alan Freitag lit a candle in memory of Leo Wallace



Esther and Alan Freitag - February 11, 2021 at 09:03 PM

MP

“ *Morris & Karen Priebe lit a candle in memory of Leo Wallace*



Morris & Karen Priebe - February 11, 2021 at 08:07 PM

BB

“ *Bill And Tammy Baker lit a candle in memory of Leo Wallace*



Bill and Tammy Baker - February 11, 2021 at 07:49 PM



“ *Kelly Lorentz purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Leo Wallace.*



Kelly Lorentz - February 11, 2021 at 07:23 PM

RK

“ *We will certainly miss Leo coming and going in his green van, on his way on a drive out to the country. Town was okay, but he loved the country the best! A good neighbor with a smile and always "Hello, folks". Our thoughts & prayers go out to Carol and the family. We will be happy to help Carol in any way! Sincerely, Rich & Mavis Kendall*



Rich & Mavis Kendall - February 11, 2021 at 06:58 PM

SG

“ *Scott & Linda Gustafson lit a candle in memory of Leo Wallace*



Scott & Linda Gustafson - February 11, 2021 at 06:09 PM

CS

“ *Charlotte Stemson lit a candle in memory of Leo Wallace*



Charlotte Stemson - February 11, 2021 at 05:49 PM



“ *Wallace family, I'm very sorry and sad to hear of Leo's passing. He was such a good guy! Our loss on earth is definitely heaven's gain. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.*



Kelly Lorentz - February 11, 2021 at 04:19 PM

JP

“ *Jerry And Kathy Peterson lit a candle in memory of Leo Wallace*



Jerry and Kathy Peterson - February 11, 2021 at 03:33 PM

DC

“ *Our sympathy to Carol and family on the loss of Leo. It was a pleasure to have gotten to know him and Carol when they became neighbors to my Mom, Alice. He, and his smile, will be dearly missed.*



Don and Cheryl Crabb - February 11, 2021 at 03:18 PM

CG

“ *Cary & Diana Goeden lit a candle in memory of Leo Wallace*



Cary & Diana Goeden - February 11, 2021 at 01:06 PM

 Julie
Eidenschink

“ *Worked with Leo for many years at Timber Roots. Truly a sweet man with a quick smile and a twinkle in his eye. Rest In Jesus' loving arms. Paul & Julie Eidenschink*



Julie Eidenschink - February 11, 2021 at 12:59 PM