



Leona "Lee" H. Johnson

February 12, 1930 - April 10, 2025

The memorial service celebrating the life of Leona Johnson of Wadena will be held at 11:00a.m. on Tuesday, April 29, at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Wadena, with Pastor Nate Loer presiding.

Family and friends may gather at the church on Tuesday from 9:30a.m. until the time of the service. Burial will be in Wadena Cemetery, Wadena, MN.

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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) or <https://www.facebook.com/immanuelwadena>

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Leona "Lee", age 95, passed away at The Meadows of Wadena on April 10, 2025, with compassionate care by the staff and Vivie Hospice.

Leona "Lee" Hope Anderson was born to Henry and Hilda (Olson) Anderson on February 12, 1930, in a little log house on the family farm outside Osakis, MN. She attended country school through eighth grade and Osakis High School, graduating Valedictorian with the class of 1947. Lee then attended Concordia College in Moorhead, graduating in 1951, with degrees in English and Music.

Lee loved growing up on the farm, especially during the springtime with all the baby animals. She enjoyed doing chores with her dad and was driving tractor by the age of 12. At 13 years of age, she became the organist at Sauk Valley

Lutheran Church, where she was baptized, confirmed, and later married.

On May 31, 1953, Lee was united in marriage to Raymond Johnson, in a double wedding along with her sister, Beverley and Gerald Johnson. She taught high school English, Drama and Music in Turtle Lake, ND and Cyrus, MN, remaining in touch with some of her students for the rest of her life.

Lee chose to become a stay-at-home mom and was the beloved mother of four extremely fortunate children. Following a few years in Fargo, ND, the family settled in Wadena in 1962.

Lee's love for the Lord was evident in the way she lived her life. She led by quiet example, made Church a priority and enjoyed many volunteering opportunities both there and in the community. She worked at the Wadena City Library throughout the 1980s. Lee enjoyed sewing, quilting, knitting and crocheting and especially loved playing the piano. She remained strong in her faith, which was made evident through her daily devotions and Bible reading. She spent the final two years of her life at The Meadows of Wadena where she adored the staff and was given wonderful care by them, along with hospice.

For 62 years, Lee was a cherished member of Immanuel Lutheran Church. She was loved by all who were blessed to know her. We rejoice with her today as she is being held in the arms of Jesus.

Preceding Leona in death were her husband, Raymond (2010); parents, Henry and Hilda; brothers Oren and Charles Anderson; sister, Beverley Johnson; daughter-in-law, Gail Johnson; and son-in-law, Bill Beck.

Remembering Leona will be her children: Kurt (Deborah Hemshrot) of Andover, Kristin (Mick) Scott of Pine River, Julie (Michael) Lawrence of Park

Rapids, and Jean Beck of Wadena; 11 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren; along with nieces, nephews, godchildren, and friends.

Cemetery Details

Wadena Cemetery

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

Previous Events

Gathering of Family & Friends

APR 29. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Schuller Family Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Leona "Lee" H. Johnson



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - April 23, 2025 at 08:04 PM

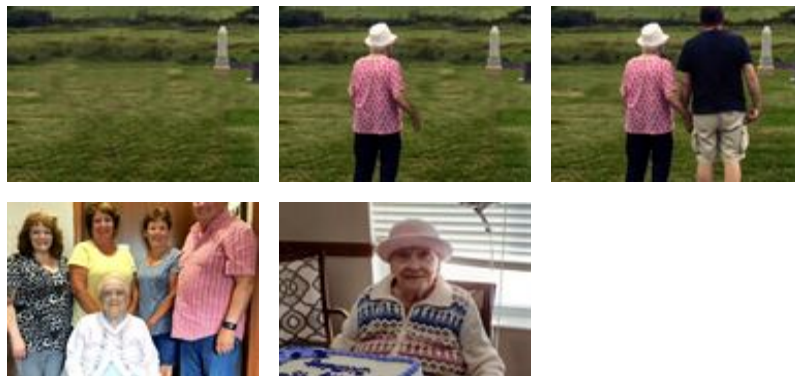
DG

“ I had the pleasure of occasionally seeing Leona at the Meadows, where my mother in law lives. She had eyes that twinkled, a warm handshake and a kind heart. I noticed she hadn't been around and finally asked about her today. She was a joy to meet! PS The flowers in the entry are absolutely beautiful....thanks for sharing them.

Donna Geiser - May 01, 2025 at 04:35 PM



“ 49 files added to the album LifeTributes



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - April 23, 2025 at 08:00 PM

DM

“ Lee was such a precious lady and I am honored to have known her over the years. She'll be terribly missed. Such a positive light to everyone who knew her. ❤️

Deb Herbert - Bemidji, MN - April 18, 2025 at 04:40 PM

TS

“ Trish Steinkopf lit a candle in memory of Leona "Lee" Johnson



Trish Steinkopf - April 16, 2025 at 08:50 PM

LR

“ Leona and Gail were dear Feiends. We followed them to Truth and Consquences that first winter and parked in their yard until we found a place to stay. They showed us around and took us to thier church. Prayers to thier family.

Leone w rowan - April 16, 2025 at 06:28 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Leona "Lee" H. Johnson.



April 15, 2025 at 04:34 PM

WH

“ Wanda Cooley Hoium lit a candle in memory of Leona "Lee" Johnson



wanda cooley hoium - April 13, 2025 at 11:24 PM



“ Gladys Chase lit a candle in memory of Leona "Lee" Johnson



Gladys Chase - April 13, 2025 at 09:27 PM

SB

“ Sharon Boline lit a candle in memory of Leona "Lee" Johnson



Sharon Boline - April 13, 2025 at 02:13 PM

TH

“ Tammie Klawitter Hamlin lit a candle in memory of Leona "Lee" Johnson



Tammie Klawitter Hamlin - April 12, 2025 at 05:39 PM

DG

“ Donna Grendahl lit a candle in memory of
Leona "Lee" Johnson



Donna Grendahl - April 12, 2025 at 12:31 AM

JE

“ Jane Erckenbrack lit a candle in memory of
Leona "Lee" Johnson



Jane Erckenbrack - April 11, 2025 at 04:39 PM

JJ

“ Jon and Patty Johnson lit a candle in memory
of Leona "Lee" Johnson



Jon and Patty Johnson - April 11, 2025 at 11:39 AM

LM

“ Liz Miller lit a candle in memory of Leona
"Lee" Johnson



Liz Miller - April 10, 2025 at 06:28 PM