



Lynn Spencer

February 15, 1938 - May 3, 2014

Funeral services for Lynn Spencer of Wadena will be held at 11:00 AM on Friday, May 9, 2014 at St. John Lutheran Church in Wadena with Reverend Stephen Meltzer presiding. Friends may call on Thursday from 5:00 until 8:00 PM at the Johnson-Schuller Chapel in Wadena and again on Friday from 9:30 AM until the time of services at the church. Lynn passed away at the age of 76 years on Saturday, May 3, 2014, at his home in Wadena surrounded by his loving family.

Lynn was born February 15, 1938 to Stuart and Jennie (Randall) Spencer in Orton Township, Wadena County, MN. He attended country schools in northern Wadena County until the eighth grade. His education continued with high school in Menahga, the Dunwoody Institute in Minneapolis and the Technical College in Wadena. At the age of 60, Lynn received his GED, graduating from high school two days before his eldest grandchild's graduation.

At a young age he helped an uncle at the Auction Barn in Wadena. He worked on the family farm and helped his dad in home construction and logging. He was baptized and confirmed as an adult in 1958 at St. John Lutheran Church in Wadena, where Lynn was also united in marriage with Carol Goedel in 1960. They made their home in Fridley and Blaine. He worked for Graco in Fridley until 1972. They bought a farm east of Nimrod, sold it in 1979, and

lived in rural Wadena County before settling in Wadena in 2007. He was a DHIA supervisor for southern Wadena County for many years. He also worked as a logger, painter, turkey farmer, plumber's helper, and mold maker, and retired as a machinist from Homecrest in 2000.

Lynn always loved the outdoors! Growing up he played baseball alongside adults on the Huntersville Horseflies and Nimrod Gnats teams and later several church softball leagues. Favorite pastimes included hunting, fishing, camping, boating, and snowmobiling. He enjoyed playing cards and dice and spending time with family and friends. From learning the woodworking craft from his dad, Lynn spent several years making and selling his quality hand-crafted items. Many became treasured gifts for Carol, their family, and friends. A favorite memory for his grandkids and great-grandkids will be the stash of candy he kept for them!

Lynn volunteered as a fire fighter, Webelos leader, snowmobile safety instructor and snowmobile club president while in Blaine. He served on various Lutheran church councils before becoming a member of St. John Lutheran Church in Wadena in 2007.

Lynn was preceded in death by his parents Stuart and Jennie; brother Lyle; sisters Bonnie Kraemer and Donna Roiko; and niece Colleen Hegg.

Lynn is survived by his devoted wife Carol; children Gregg (Emmy) of Verndale, Lynette Anderson of West Fargo, ND, Jeff (Valerie) of Belle Plaine, and Corey (Sherri) of Willmar; 15 grandchildren & 13 great-grandchildren; brothers Dave (Gywn) of Nashville, TN, and Larry (Mary) of Zimmerman; sisters Ann (Paul) Strong of Apple Valley and Ruth Sanders of Hopkins; along with numerous nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers will be Gregg Spencer, Jr., Dustin Spencer, Brandon Spencer,

Ryan Anderson, Nate Spencer, Jack Spencer, Jay Veronen and Tom Dalen.

Burial will be in Wadena Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Wadena Cemetery

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

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 8. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

Visitation

MAY 9. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. John Lutheran Church
710 Franklin Ave. SW
Wadena, MN 56482

Service

MAY 9. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

St. John Lutheran Church
710 Franklin Ave. SW
Wadena, MN 56482

Tribute Wall



“ *Schuller Family Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Lynn Spencer*



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - May 08, 2014 at 12:29 PM



“ *Rays of Light Spray was purchased for the family of Lynn Spencer.*



May 06, 2014 at 08:27 PM



“ *Carol,
Thinking of you and family. We share your loss. Had a wonderful time with you and Lynn when you visited Washington state and our few times in Minnesota. Lynn will be missed greatly.
Love,
Avis & David*



K - May 06, 2014 at 06:43 PM

GP

“ Gerald &Peggy Porter lit a candle in memory of Lynn Spencer



Gerald &Peggy Porter - May 06, 2014 at 09:43 AM

LR

“ Lisa Randall lit a candle in memory of Lynn Spencer



Lisa Randall - May 05, 2014 at 06:34 PM

SS

“ Sue Savage lit a candle in memory of Lynn Spencer



Sue Savage - May 05, 2014 at 02:23 PM

SS

Carol, My thoughts are with you and your family.

Sue Savage - May 05, 2014 at 02:24 PM

KN

Carol, we are so sorry to hear the sad news Kenny & Shirley

Kenny & Shirley Nelson - May 05, 2014 at 06:31 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Lynn Spencer.*



May 05, 2014 at 02:14 PM



“ *Carol, thinking of you at this difficult time. Keeping you and yours in our prayers.*
Jim and Eunice

Eunice Rodenberg - May 05, 2014 at 11:18 AM



“ *Toni Rimpila lit a candle in memory of Lynn Spencer*



Toni Rimpila - May 05, 2014 at 09:12 AM



“ *DENISE BRISTLIN lit a candle in memory of Lynn Spencer*



DENISE BRISTLIN - May 05, 2014 at 09:08 AM

CD

“ Carol and family - So sorry for your loss. Thoughts and prayers are with you.

Dick & Carol Dertinger

Carol Dertinger - May 05, 2014 at 08:51 AM

BL

“ For Carol and family, I am so sorry for your loss, Lynn was a kind and caring man who always had a big smile for those he knew and loved. Love and prayers being sent for you all,

Love,

Bernadette Spencer Lipkin

bernadette Spencer Lipkin - May 05, 2014 at 01:54 AM

BO

“ Bob lit a candle in memory of Lynn Spencer



Bob - May 04, 2014 at 10:21 PM

BO

Carol, our thoughts and prayers are with you and the family.

Bob and Bonnie Gastecki

Bob - May 04, 2014 at 10:22 PM

GS

“ *Gloria Setterholm lit a candle in memory of Lynn Spencer*



gloria Setterholm - May 04, 2014 at 07:54 PM

GS

Keeping you in my thoughts and prayers.

gloria Setterholm - May 04, 2014 at 07:55 PM

DH

“ *Diane Hahn lit a candle in memory of Lynn Spencer*



Diane Hahn - May 04, 2014 at 07:22 AM

LB

“ *Lorie Baron lit a candle in memory of Lynn Spencer*



Lorie Baron - May 03, 2014 at 09:06 PM