



## Marlin Olson Jr.

November 6, 1961 - September 8, 2017

The funeral service for Marlin R. Olson, Jr, of Wadena, will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, September 15, at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Wadena, with Pastor Nate Loer presiding. Visitation will be held at the church on Thursday from 4:00 until 7:00 p.m. and will resume on Friday from 9:30 a.m. until the time of service.

After a valiant battle with cancer, Marlin, age 55, passed away with family at his side on Friday, September 8, 2017 at the Elders Home in New York Mills, MN.

Marlin was born to Marlin and Joanne (Heitman) Olson on November 6, 1961 in St. Paul, MN. He graduated high school from Wadena High School in 1980. He entered the Air Force in 1984 and was honorably discharged in 1990 as a sergeant.

Many community members will remember Marlin as the latest owner and operator of Marlin's Small Engine Repair in Wadena. A business started by his father. Marlin always liked to have his hands busy, tinkering with anything with an engine.

Marlin was preceded in death by his maternal and paternal grandparents, Arthur and Luella Heitman and Frank and Agnes Olson.

Marlin is survived by his parents Marlin and Joanne of Wadena; brother Tom (Anna) of New York Mills, nephew Joshua Olson and niece Jasmyn Olson; along with a number of aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends.

Pallbearers will be Steven Hoffmeyer, Merlin Heitman, Michael Mickelson, Timothy Olson, James Heitman, and Todd Hatlestad.

Military honors will be provide by the Elmer Goche Post 3922, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Wadena, MN.

Burial will be in Wadena Cemetery, Wadena, MN.

# Cemetery Details

## Wadena Cemetery

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **14.** 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

## Visitation

SEP **15.** 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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

## Service

SEP **15.** 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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



# Tribute Wall



“ *Schuller Family Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.*



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - September 11, 2017 at 06:20 PM

AS

*condolences for all the family of him .. we had a good time with him when he visit here before in phillipinnes, such a nice guy..*

amber locca shanne - September 12, 2017 at 02:33 AM

NF

“ *I just now learned of Marlin's passing when trying to call for that-time-of-the-year mower repair. I knew Marlin only briefly through the business but enjoyed visiting with him and we did discuss his battle with cancer, a valiant fight indeed. My deepest condolences to his family, loved ones, and many friends, all of whom must feel his loss keenly. Our world lost a very good man with his passing. Natalie F., Osage, MN*



Natalie Finch - April 20, 2018 at 05:00 PM

PE

“ We want to extend our sympathy to Marlin's Family. Marlin contributed so much to our community. We remember him best as being so pleasant whenever we brought lawn equipment in for a "quick" repair and he would do his best to get it done for us. It was a pleasure to know Marlin. Love & Prayer for his family . . . Paul & Mavis Eiswald

Paul & Mavis Eiswald - September 22, 2017 at 08:26 PM

JJ

“ Wow. Just found out. Such a loss. He is with our Savior. Peace to the family. Deepest sympathies. Jay and Jackie Perius



Jackie and Jay - September 21, 2017 at 03:54 PM



“ Scott Kern lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.



Scott Kern - September 19, 2017 at 10:31 PM



he was a nice guy and always busy helping someone . worked late hours all the time

Scott Kern - September 19, 2017 at 10:32 PM

HA

“ *Helen Allee lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.*



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**Helen Allee** - September 18, 2017 at 11:56 AM

HA

*Marlin was always such a joy to talk to when we were at his store. He was so friendly, helpful, and could pretty much tell you anything you wanted to know. We have known him and his dad for many years and did business with both of them for along time. We will sure miss him.  
Helen and Art Allee*

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**Helen Allee** - September 18, 2017 at 11:58 AM

PO

“ *Polly.anderson lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.*



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**polly.anderson** - September 18, 2017 at 03:12 AM

PO

*so sorry to hear about your Great loss our hearts and prayers go out to you and your family.*

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**polly.anderson** - September 18, 2017 at 03:13 AM

MC

“ *MTI Distributing / The Toro Company purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Marlin Olson Jr..*



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**MTI Distributing / The Toro Company** - September 13, 2017 at 05:22 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Marlin Olson Jr..*



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September 13, 2017 at 09:50 AM

DR

“ *Will miss all the pick up baseball games and my kids will miss the stories you talked about us. The class of 1980 will miss you.*



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**Dennis Reger** - September 12, 2017 at 06:27 PM

S(

*He is now an angel for every member of the class of 1980*

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**Sharyl Olson (umland)** - September 13, 2017 at 03:52 PM

JB

“ *JAN BREUER lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.*



JAN BREUER - September 12, 2017 at 05:49 PM



“ *Tamela JoTurck purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Marlin Olson Jr..*



Tamela JoTurck - September 12, 2017 at 03:50 PM

BG

“ *Bob & Donna Grendahl lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.*



Bob & Donna Grendahl - September 12, 2017 at 12:27 AM



“ *Tamela JoTurck lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.*



Tamela JoTurck - September 11, 2017 at 08:36 PM

AB

“ Alan Bielema lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.



Alan Bielema - September 11, 2017 at 07:52 PM

SL

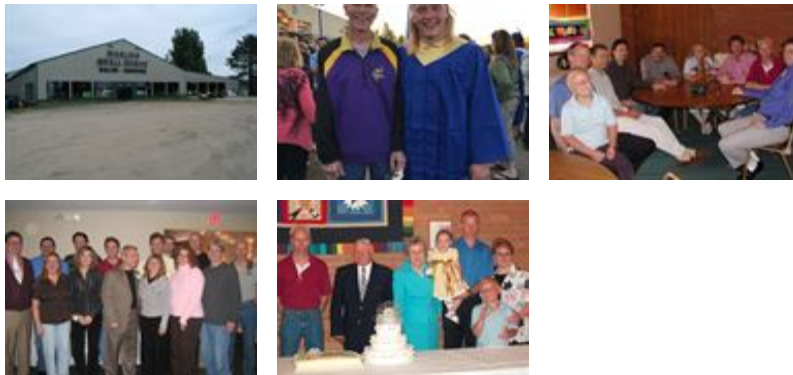
“ Scott And Peggy Loween lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.



Scott and Peggy Loween - September 11, 2017 at 05:42 PM



“ 50 files added to the album Life Tributes



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - September 11, 2017 at 05:12 PM

JH

“ Jay Hutson lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.



Jay Hutson - September 11, 2017 at 01:19 PM

RP

“ Rick, Tracy, Joey & Ricky Price lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.



Rick, Tracy, Joey & Ricky Price - September 11, 2017 at 12:49 PM

TK

“ Tammie Klawitter lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.



Tammie Klawitter - September 11, 2017 at 09:06 AM

DF

“ Dave & Sharon Folkestad lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.



Dave & Sharon Folkestad - September 10, 2017 at 11:56 PM

JY

“ *Julie Young lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.*



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**Julie Young** - September 10, 2017 at 09:28 PM

DT

“ *Dave And Norie Trout lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.*



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**Dave and Norie Trout** - September 10, 2017 at 07:45 PM

CF

“ *Always ready to help, always that smirk when he answered my not so smart question. To say he fought his cancer is under stated. He fought with a smile and a positive outlook. Great guy.*

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**Craig Folkestad** - September 09, 2017 at 11:17 PM

CS

“ *Char Stemson lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.*



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**char stemson** - September 09, 2017 at 05:56 PM

BH

“ *Bob & Donna Haman lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.*



Bob & Donna Haman - September 09, 2017 at 05:16 PM

TS

“ *Tom & DeAnna Snyder lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.*



Tom & DeAnna Snyder - September 09, 2017 at 03:44 PM

JS

“ *Jim & Barb Sundby lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.*



Jim & Barb Sundby - September 09, 2017 at 03:08 PM

JS

“ *Jim, Barb & Maggie Sundby lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.*



Jim, Barb & Maggie Sundby - September 09, 2017 at 03:06 PM

JH

“ Joe And Diane Hinkle lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.



Joe and Diane Hinkle - September 09, 2017 at 02:55 PM

GC

“ Gladys Chase lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.



Gladys Chase - September 09, 2017 at 11:34 AM

CB

“ Conrad And Shirley Van Batavia lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.



Conrad and Shirley Van Batavia - September 09, 2017 at 10:58 AM

RD

“ Robert And Kathy Derby lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.



Robert and Kathy Derby - September 09, 2017 at 10:17 AM

DC

“ I will miss your smile and advise you have given and shared with me for many years. Thanks 😊 your absence will be felt 😞 DOUG CARLSTROM

douglas carlstrom - September 09, 2017 at 09:53 AM

JS

“ Judy And Elvin Shultz lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.



Judy and Elvin shultz - September 09, 2017 at 09:10 AM

RA

“ Rita Anderson lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.



Rita Anderson - September 09, 2017 at 08:45 AM

AL

“ Arlys Andrews L lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.



Arlys Andrews I - September 09, 2017 at 07:48 AM

AL

*Marlin, Anne, Tom, Ann and family, I am so sorry for your loss and I will surely miss him and his friendly wave when I would drive by and being so close to help me out. Arlys*

**Arlys Andrews I** - September 09, 2017 at 07:54 AM

 Kelly  
Tobeck

“ *Our trip to California together with the family staying out there with you for 4 months and showing us San Francisco, Sacramento and Fresno, Golden Gate bridge, together Alcatraz in the bay, all the funny jokes, singing to music on the way out to California and all of us taking turns driving. Funny things that happened along the way and glitches over came, and standing up for me. Long talks we had. Hanging with friends up town, so many memories. My friend, God bless you, may you Rest In Peace, you will never be forgotten and your memory will live on.*



**Kelly Tobeck** - September 09, 2017 at 02:58 AM

JS

*Marlin will be greatly missed...fixed on many lawnmowers.. chain saws whatever. He had a talent to some how get them running again. Wadena and other towns will miss his business. Prayers go out to family*

**Judy and Elvin shultz** - September 09, 2017 at 09:14 AM

JS

*Walk with Jesus Marlin*

**Judy and Elvin shultz** - September 09, 2017 at 09:53 AM

PM

“ Prayers to Marlins Family. He was such a delightful man. Always had a smile, never complained, and always willing to help anyone, he will be greatly missed.

Penny McLeod - September 08, 2017 at 11:53 PM

PM

“ Penny McLeod lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.



Penny McLeod - September 08, 2017 at 11:49 PM

PM

So sad, Marlin was a wonderful man, always happy go lucky, and always willing to help anyone, he will be greatly miss....RIP Marlin

Penny McLeod - September 08, 2017 at 11:50 PM

RR

“ Renee Rohr lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.



Renee Rohr - September 08, 2017 at 11:36 PM

GS

“ Marlin was about the best Small Engine man within 30 miles of Wadena. He always had a smile on his face, and joked about everything. No matter what the part was he knew, and knew exactly where it was. You'll be missed greatly Bud. may God keep you close. 🤝🤝

Gordon Skillings - September 08, 2017 at 11:33 PM

HH

“ Holly Heitman lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.



Holly Heitman - September 08, 2017 at 10:42 PM

KF

“ Kathy Fogelberg lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.



Kathy Fogelberg - September 08, 2017 at 10:15 PM



“ So sorry to hear of his passing, I will never forget Marlin helping me, in small engines class help to get Pat and my engine started, we were really bad at it. He Was friend you could count on to help you or give you a ride... borrow money..Lois (Bachmann)Wiirre Class of 1982.



Lois Wiirre - September 08, 2017 at 09:50 PM

HM

“ *Family of H. Mike Mickelson*



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**H. Mike Mickelson** - September 08, 2017 at 09:39 PM

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“ *Sharyl Olaon (Umland) lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.*



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**Sharyl Olaon (Umland)** - September 08, 2017 at 07:54 PM

DM

“ *Dale & Liz Miller lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.*



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**Dale & Liz Miller** - September 08, 2017 at 07:38 PM

MW

“ *Myron & Karen Winkelman lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.*



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**Myron & Karen Winkelman** - September 08, 2017 at 07:06 PM

DO

“ *Deb Olson lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.*



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**Deb Olson** - September 08, 2017 at 06:14 PM

TF

“ *The Canning Family lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.*



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**The Canning Family** - September 08, 2017 at 05:39 PM

LH

“ *Leo Haisman lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.*



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**Leo Haisman** - September 08, 2017 at 04:51 PM

MH

“ *Marladene Heinen lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.*



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**Marladene Heinen** - September 08, 2017 at 04:04 PM

KB

“ *Kelly Bain lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.*



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**Kelly Bain** - September 08, 2017 at 03:33 PM

MF

“ *Marie Fraune lit a candle in memory of Marlin Olson Jr.*



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**Marie Fraune** - September 08, 2017 at 03:27 PM