



## Marvin Dahlvang

August 26, 1918 - February 24, 2009

Marvin Perry Dahlvang of Wadena, and formerly of rural Verndale, was born on August 26, 1918 in rural Staples, MN to Perry and Eva (Anderson) Dahlvang. He passed away, at age 90, on February 24, 2009 at Fair Oaks Lodge in Wadena. Marvin was united in marriage with Esther Leone Young on September 22, 1940 in Wadena. He was a farmer and sold seed corn for 38 years. He loved to travel and enjoyed spending 8 winters with his son and family in California. Most years he attended the MN State Fair and for 70 years he was a part the Dahlvang Family Reunion. He was a photographer who also enjoyed gardening. Marvin especially enjoyed spending time with family and friends. He was active in his church and with the Community Camera Club. He enjoyed visiting with everyone he met and he was loved by everyone! Marvin was preceded in death by his parents, Perry and Eva; brothers Clayton and Edger Dahlvang; and granddaughter, Julie Dahlvang. He is survived by his loving wife, Esther; son, Duane (Peggy) of Visalia, CA; daughters, Mardell Hendershot of Wadena, and Marlys (Darrell) Bratteli of Detroit Lakes; 10 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held at 10:30 AM on Saturday, February 28, 2009 in the Thomastown Covenant Church in rural Staples, with Pastor David Harlow officiating. Pallbearers were grandsons, David Dahlvang, Brian Hendershot, Michael Hendershot, Derek Bratteli, Mitchell Bratteli, Zachary Bratteli, and Ross Cariveau. Interment was at West Lyons Cemetery in rural Nimrod.



# Tribute Wall

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“ I always looked forward to seeing Grandpa and had a wonderful time sitting around talking and eating. He was so interesting and pleasant. I was born after my other grandfather passed away, so Grandpa Marvin was extra special! He brought all of us so much joy in our lives and was loved by anyone who met him. I am so fortunate to have had him as my Grandpa and so glad that he lived a long life. I will miss him every day.

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**Lisa Kay Dahlvang** - February 24, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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“ I have known Marvin since 1961, a long time. He was one of the kindest, thoughtful, loving man I have ever known. He was a great husband to Esther, loving father to his children, great neighbor and friend and a true example of a fine Christian man. Marvin had many good qualities, enjoyed life to the fullest and was fortunate enough to have a healthy and full life. For that we are all grateful. His time on this earth (90 years plus) were spent doing what he enjoyed doing and I am sure some things he maybe didn't enjoy doing as much like the rest of us! I am sorry I was unable to attend his funeral due to the critical illness of my husband, Paul, who remains in Intensive Care at the U of M Fairview Medical Center, where I still spend my days. I consider myself very fortunate to have known Marvin and spent all the years I did knowing him. We had a lot of great times together. David would go to the farm and have to go "farming" with his grandpa. Even though he had allergies from the grain dust, he had to be with "grandpa". He will always have those memories. He was so afraid Grandpa would get up in the morning and leave to go farming without him. He was not very old at that time either. The girls have also had some great times with Grandpa. Also the grandchildren. They have a lot of pictures also of Grandpa and are so blessed to have had a grandfather and great-grandfather as Marvin was. I feel blessed to have known him and I remain proud to have been and still am a part of this wonderful family. Thanks be to God for His creation of Marvin.

*Love to all*

*Love*

*Eileen*

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**Eileen Smiley** - February 24, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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“Where to begin, my grandpa was such a simple and appreciative man. My kids and I would stop by and bring the littlest thing and he was so thankful, even tried to pay me for cutting his hair! Over the past year and half I was blessed to spend quite a bit of time with him and he always made me feel like I was just who he was waiting to see, but I think he was more excited to see my daughter Zoe! My favorite memories of my grandpa are of hanging out on the farm growing up. Helping him with the hay, putting out the wash pan with Lever's soap so he could clean up for a meal, the Pioneer Gum he kept in the big shed, driving grandma and I into town so she could get her hair done and finishing off the night with a bowl of neopolitan ice cream. I am truly blessed to have had such a wonderful man in my life as well as my childrens.  
God, you are lucky to have gotten such a good one. Love and kisses up to heaven for you Grandpa- Shiloh

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**Shiloh Bratteli Cariveau** - February 24, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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“My grandpa meant the world to me, and I loved him very much. I will always cherish the wonderful memories we had together and with the family. He will be deeply missed.

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**Debbie Mycka** - February 24, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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“ I loved walking through his garden with him. He loved showing off all his beautiful flowers he even gave me a coffee can with his prized zinnia seeds that I planted with love and pride! I got my love of gardening from he and his son my dad!! will miss him forever!!!  
Tamara Kiddoo

*I will always have a picture in my mind of a smiling Marvin with his baseball cap on saying yep you betcha!! Kent Kiddoo*

*Great grandpa was always happy and watching out for me! Kollin Kiddoo*

*I will always remember going to visit him and great grandma and they would always have tons of great funny stories about their childhood or his farm. It was so much fun hearing what life was like for him back in the day-no cell phones, no iPods, no computers, just the simple things to keep you happy. That is something that Marvin continued throughout his whole life-the little things were always the most important to him, and no matter what, he always had those little things to keep him happy no matter what happened. He was always so positive, I don't think I have ever seen him in a bad mood, he was just one of those people that really enjoyed his life greatly. And i am so glad to know that he is in a great place and can be reunited with his family again in a happy, peaceful place forever. That is what he deserves, a place as happy and peaceful as he was every day, and I pray for him and know that he is looking over all of us every day!*

*By: Konnor Kiddoo*

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**Kent, Tamara, Konnor and Kollin Kiddoo** - February 24, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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“ As I brought up the obituary of our dear Marvin, I can only remember him as he was on that photo. He was like a dad to both Larry and Me. We spent a lot of time visiting him and Esther, and enjoyed every moment of that time too. Both of us can honestly say, "It will never quite be the same the next time we visit Esther, and not being able to visit with Marvin, where he always sat on the couch and Esther in the recliner right next to him. He is in a place non-comparable to any other called "Heaven" of which we are so grateful to God.

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**Larry and Diane Hahn** - February 24, 2009 at 12:00 AM