



## Warren Hartman

February 25, 1931 - February 9, 2011

Warren O. Hartman was born to Warren and Adeline (Hanson) Hartman on February 25, 1931, in Brainerd, MN. He grew up in Wadena, graduating from Wadena High School, and enjoyed spending summers in Aitkin living at his parent's lake home with his cousin, Clint. Warren continued his education at the University of Minnesota, graduating with a Bachelor of Science degree in 1953 and earned a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree in 1955. He also attended McPhail School of Music, and was a post-graduate in veterinary studies. Dr. Hartman practiced in Medford, WI, and attended the Meat & Dairy Hygiene School in Chicago, IL, while becoming a member of the United States Army Veterinary Corps from 1956 to 1958 serving at Ft. Meyer, VA, and Ft. Slocum, NY. After leaving the Army, he practiced in Barrington, IL, before settling in Wadena, MN, where he helped his father with his harness horses. Warren Hartman and Carolyn Darroch were united in marriage on December 27, 1957 at the Naval Chapel in Washington, DC. Dr. Hartman was an active community member serving as Past President and member of the Wadena Chamber of Commerce, Past President and member of the Wadena Area Concert Association, President of the Wadena Area United Way, Past President and member of Minnesota Harness Racing, Inc., life member of the Minnesota Veterinary Medical Association, Wadena Area Community Band and First Liners New Orleans Jazz Band, Wadena Lions Club, Past President and board member of Central Minnesota Boy Scout Council, Chairman of the District Boy Scout Eagle Board of Review, and was a dedicated member of

the First Congregational United Church of Christ in Wadena. Dr Hartman served as Chairman of the Wadena School Board for several years after serving as Chairman on the Citizen's Educational Advisory Committee for District 819. He was a member of the Animal Health Technology Advisory Committee at the University of Minnesota Technical College in Waseca, along with serving on the Dean's Advisory Council at the College of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Minnesota. Dr. Hartman was awarded the Boy Scout District Award of Merit and the Silver Beaver from the Central Minnesota Boy Scout Council, the Wadena community Service Award from the Wadena Chamber of Commerce in 1982, Friend of Wadena County Fair Association in 2007 for over 40 years of volunteer veterinary services to the Wadena County Fair, the Wadena AVTI award and State Education Award MAVTISSA in 1981-1982, a MHRI plaque in 1989 for dedication and efforts to promote Harness Racing in the state of Minnesota, Horse of the Year in 1979 and 1980 for Abbe Luck by the MHRI, and was inducted into the MN Harness Racing Hall of Fame in 2007. In 2008, he was nominated for the Experience Works Prime Time Awards Program. After a short illness, Dr. Hartman passed away on February 9, 2011 at the age of 79, at the University of Minnesota Hospital Medical Center, Fairview in Minneapolis. Dr. Hartman was preceded in death by his parents Warren and Adeline. He is survived by his wife Carolyn of Wadena; children Karl (Vivian) of Red Wing, Laurie (John) Costello of Painted Post, NY, and Jim of Wadena; grandchildren Kelly Costello, Holly Hartman, Neal Hartman, and Jake Costello; great-grandchild Gavin Costello; brother-in-law & sister-in-law Gerald and Patricia Schachner; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins. Memorial services were held at 2:00 p.m. on February 26, 2011 at the First Congregational United Church of Christ in Wadena, with Pastor Marli Danielson officiating. Memorials are preferred to the Wadena County Humane Society, Central MN Boy Scout Council, or the Wadena Area Community Band.

# Tribute Wall

AN

“ Alice (Davison) Nelson lit a candle in memory of Warren Hartman



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Alice (Davison) Nelson - January 27 at 04:17 PM

CD

“ Dr Hartman was one of the first veterinarians I have known whose animal skills, especially with horses was broad and exemplary. His finesse with them, and his innate knowledge of how to treat them for injuries, illnesses, etc. was awesome. He treated horses (and cats and dogs) for us for many years, going back to 1968 when I first moved to Wadena.

May God keep him safe. He will be long remembered, with fondness and respect for the talents he displayed with the numbers of animals he cared for, and with his many widespread contributions to the community.

Sincerely, and with sympathy at your deep loss.

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Coralie DeWald - February 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Warren and his family were always available for emergencies and could usually squeeze you in when your animals had to be seen. He will be missed by all of Wadena Co 4-H members and families. His many years of service to the animals in the area will be missed.

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February 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ We thought so much of Doctor Hartman. He was always so patient with us and treated our animals so well knowing how special they were to us. I remember one time he stayed up all night trying to save my kitty and he did everything possible to help her. When I had to put one of my kitties to sleep I was so distraught and Tony said I could relax knowing he was in the good hands of Doc and he had never let us down. I knew my pets were always in good hands when I took them in to the clinic. Thanks to Jim and Carolyn, too! We will always fondly remember Doc.

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**Mary Rousslang** - February 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

OC

“ So sorry about doc. but he will see my bucky and maizie. Thinking of you guys so much. I grant you he is watching over you.

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**Old client** - February 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SO

“ Carolyn and family - We are so sorry to hear of your loss. Looking across the waiting room in Minneapolis and seeing you was quite a surprise. Our thoughts and prayers will continue to be with you.

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**Sarah O'Kane** - February 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

GF

“ Warren was a great inspiration, always taking the high road in any negotiations. He lead by example and thought of the big picture more than any personal gain.  
He saw our organization through difficult times with his selfless determination and we are much better off today because of his leadership.

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**Greg & Michelle Budach & family** - February 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ Dear Caroline and family  
I was surprised and sorry to hear of Warren's death. We are in Florida and happened to check in on Johnson's site.

Know that we are thinking of you.

JoAnn and Jim White

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JoAnn White - February 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SD

“ Doc was so caring and kind not only to his patients but their owners also. I remember when Buster was seriously sick and I was so upset he wouldn't let me go until I was calmer and able to drive. He managed to give Buster 18 more months to be with me. He has taken really good care of my dogs since I moved to Wadena County. He will be dearly missed by Domino and Dancer let alone myself. I will be thinking of Carolyn and her family at this time.

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Suzy Stoddard, Domino and Dancer - February 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you. I have always had much respect for Dr. Hartman and Carolyn. The few years I spent working around the Hartman's was enjoyable and educational. Plus not to mention all the times Doc saved many horses of ours. He truly will be missed.

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Renee Rohr - February 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

WT

“ How does one fill such a void in our lives and our animals past lives and present lives. Dr. Hartman has been our vet for almost 20 years. Such a spirit for our family of animals; horse, Amber, Donkey, King still alive because of Dr. professional hands and their tender touch. He had put to sleep our Muffin, Lasa Opsa; Boots, our cat and recently put our precious Vicky to sleep. They are in Heaven waiting for Walter and myself to come join them.  
Dr. Hartman was the BEST of the BEST and the greatest spirit for animals I have ever known.  
Walter and I will miss him so very much. Loved him so very much.  
Much love, prayers and hugs for Carolyn, Jim and family.  
Walter and Bobbe

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**Walter and Bobbe Tumberg** - February 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ Carolyn, we are so sorry to hear about Warren; Savannah said God must have needed a Veterinarian and picked the best. We will miss his caring hands and comforting words. May God give you comfort knowing he is among his animals.  
  
Jimmy, we know you will take care of your Dad's beloved horses. There are no words to describe how much you will miss your Dad. Take good care of your Mom.

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**Cheryl LaVergne** - February 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ We were so sorry to hear about Doc.'s passing. He will be missed deeply. Our best to Carolyn and the rest of the family.

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**Kathie & Harold Sunstrom** - February 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Carolyn and Family,  
My deepest sympathy in the loss of your loved one. He was such a caring person, and will be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

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**Jan Breuer** - February 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BD

“ We were saddened to hear of your father's passing. May you be comforted in your grief in knowing you are in the thoughts and prayers of many. Enjoy the fond memories of someone you loved, and who undoubtedly had a significant and lasting impact on your life. Our sincere and deep sympathy to all the family.

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**Bruce & Donna Dischinger** - February 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

GL

“ We think that Dr. Hartman was an excellent veterinarian. He always took excellent care of our animals.

Gene also enjoyed serving on the school board with Dr. Hartman.

We will miss him.

Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.

Gene and Marge Leslie

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**Gene & Marge Leslie** - February 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ Carolyn,  
*I want to thank you and Warren for all of the support you gave to the Wadena County 4-H Program. I always enjoyed visiting with Warren and working with him over the years while I was Extension Educator.*

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**Tom Hovde** - February 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ We've know Dr. Hartman for many years and he was always available to take care of our animals. Any time, even at night, always there trying to save a sick goat or a cow. Very jokeable e very pleasant to be around. Friendly, loving and a very good professional. Very active and involved with many activities around town. We're sad for the big loss. Our hearts goes to Carolyn, Jim and family.

*we're always helping each other, exchaging favors back and forth. If you need anything, you know that we're available to help. Never forget that day we watched Dr. Hartman taken by the helicopter to the Cities and we drove Carolyn that night to stay with him, hoping he'll get better but the end wasn't the way we expected.*

*God Bless you all...and rest in peace Dr. Hartman, until Jesus returns.*

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**Dan & Audrey Hansen** - February 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ We share your grief and feel a great sense of loss. Warren was kind, thoughtful, and committed in everything he did, from his veterinary work and gentle care of animals, to Boy Scouts, to music and the Community Band, to his family, and to his friends. Very few people give as much of their time and energy for the benefit of their community as Warren did. We will miss him, and we think of you in your sorrow, with love.

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**Sally and Jamie Robertson** - February 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JN

“ *The greatest vet we ever had the pleasure of knowing. You will be greatly missed by us, the community and more importantly, the animals you cared for. Freckles will miss your caring hands. Rest in peace my friend.*

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**Jeff, Kathy and Jimmy Nardello** - February 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM