



Wesley Truax

February 19, 1943 - January 11, 2022

The funeral service for Wesley Truax of Hewitt, was held at 11:00 am. on Saturday, January 22, at the New Life Church of God in Bertha, with Pastor Jason Knoll presiding.

Visitation was held at the Schuller Family Funeral Homes & Cremation Services' Domian-Anderson Chapel in Bertha on Friday, from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m. and resumed at the church on Saturday from 9:30 a.m. until the time of the service.

Wes, age 78, passed away on January 11, 2022, at Lakewood Health System Care Center, Staples, MN, with gentle care provided by Lakewood Hospice.

Wesley was born to Alvin and Dorris (Campbell) Truax on February 19, 1943, at the Thiel Hospital in Bertha, MN. As a youth, he attended Hewitt Public Schools and completed his high school education at Bertha Public Schools. He participated in football, basketball, baseball, and FFA. As an adult, Wes continued his interests with Hi-Ten Baseball, community softball, FFA Alumni and Bertha Hewitt Sports Boosters. Wes was united in marriage with Leona Esther Wirth on December 29, 1961, at the United Methodist Church in Hewitt.

Wes and Leona made their home near Hewitt. Early in his career, Wes had

several different jobs, including UPS driver before becoming a fulltime farmer. When not farming he enjoyed the outdoors, hunting, fishing, trapping, racing snowmobiles, attending his children's, grandchildren's and great-grandchildren's sporting events and later supporting all Bertha-Hewitt athletic events.

Family and friends describe Wes as generous and compassionate, protective of his family, and a fun-loving prankster. He was God-fearing and faithful all his life.

Preceding Wes in death were his parents, Alvin and Dorris; brother, Mervin; grandson, Henry Ahrens, and brothers-in-law, James Kurz, Alvin Wirth and Richard Wirth.

Surviving Wes are his loving wife, Leona; children Kimmie (Michael) Ahrens of Eagle Bend, Brian (Amy) Truax of Bemidji, and Susan (Michael) Hochstetler of White Bear Lake; eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren; siblings, Carol (Dave) Bruder of Oakdale and Darlene Kurz of Kerrville, TX; along with a host of family members, friends and neighbors.

Honorary pallbearers will be Blake Kolles, Brice Kolles, Kaylynn Kolles, Noah Schultz, Owen Schultz, Leah Schultz, Wesley Truax and Izabella Truax.

Active pallbearers will be Katrina Kolles, Bethany Schultz, Tyler Truax, Courtney Truax, Logan Hochstetler, Sydney Hochstetler, Dalton Detwiler and Cole Detwiler.

Burial will be in Oak Valley Cemetery, near Hewitt, MN..

Cemetery Details

Oak Valley Cemetery

23047 County Highway 75
Hewitt, MN 56453

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 21. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Domian-Anderson Chapel
309 2nd Avenue NW
Bertha, MN 56437
(218) 924-4000

Visitation

JAN 22. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

New Life Church of God
401 Main St. - West
Bertha, MN 56437

Service

JAN 22. 11:00 AM (CT)

New Life Church of God
401 Main St. - West
Bertha, MN 56437

Tribute Wall



“ *Schuller Family Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Wesley Truax*



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - January 17, 2022 at 06:28 PM

RL

What a beautiful tribute to Uncle Wes and his loves!! Family and hunting/fishing! Well done!

Rhonda Lillis - January 18, 2022 at 01:35 PM

JM

Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. What a beautiful tribute to Wes . . . all the cherished memories which will live on in your hearts forever. Jon & Melanie Miller

Jon Miller - January 19, 2022 at 04:13 PM

SS

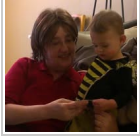
What a beautiful memory of cousin Wes.

Sandy & Ray South - January 20, 2022 at 12:04 PM

SR

I will always remember Wes as one of the best Bertha-Hewitt sports fans of all time. The post game talks about the game always swung back to his kids and his grandkids. He was a proud dad and grandpa!

Steve and Cathy Riewer - January 21, 2022 at 05:20 PM



“ *Carol Heltemes lit a candle in memory of Wesley Truax*



Carol Heltemes - January 26, 2022 at 08:31 AM



“ *Great memories of high school football, Wesley was a great competitor,*

Ken Wagner, North Mankato

Kenneth Thomas Wagner - January 22, 2022 at 11:13 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Wesley Truax.*



January 21, 2022 at 10:14 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Wesley Truax.*



January 21, 2022 at 09:12 AM

DO

“ *Doug & Joan Ostlund lit a candle in memory of Wesley Truax*



Doug & Joan Ostlund - January 20, 2022 at 08:36 PM

SS

“ *My heart goes out to Leona and family. Wes is now resting in the arms of our Precious Lord Jesus. Prayers and love to you all.* 🙏❤️

Sandy & Ray South - January 20, 2022 at 11:53 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Wesley Truax.*



January 19, 2022 at 08:42 AM

WU

“ *With Love, Casey & Debby (Olston) Ulve purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Wesley Truax.*



With Love, Casey & Debby (Olston) Ulve - January 18, 2022 at 11:12 AM

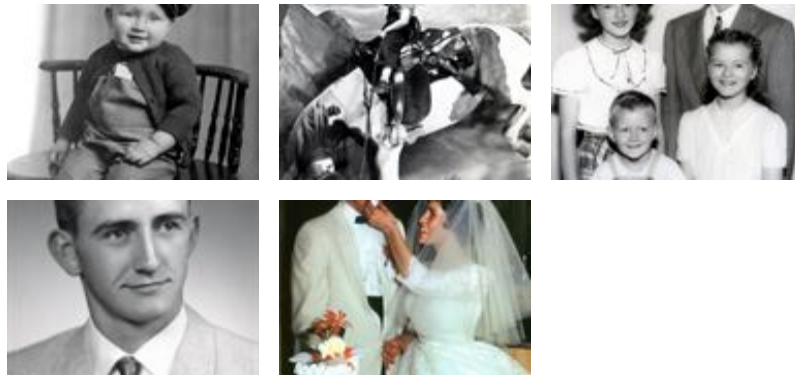
RW

“ Beth and family, I'm so sorry to hear of your grandpa's passing. You are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

Robin Weishair - January 18, 2022 at 09:44 AM



“ 45 files added to the album Life Tributes



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - January 17, 2022 at 06:25 PM

PK

“ Thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family, Leona.

Pat & Lee Kicker - January 17, 2022 at 03:26 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Wesley Truax.



January 17, 2022 at 01:01 PM

BL

“ I want to give my condolences Leona and to all of your family. My whole family shared happy memories of Wes and you through all the years as neighbors and friends. Rest in God's peace Wesley Truax!



Betty Lipinski - January 17, 2022 at 03:29 AM

GW

“ Glen Donna Wood lit a candle in memory of Wesley Truax



Glen Donna Wood - January 16, 2022 at 11:12 PM

CR

“ Wes was our biggest baseball fan. He lived watching the Bertha Blazers and then he would come and watch Preston. We loved seeing Wes and Leona. Always together, great people!

Cathy Riewer - January 16, 2022 at 10:53 PM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Wesley Truax.



January 16, 2022 at 08:27 PM

JB

“ *Janice Bastian lit a candle in memory of Wesley Truax*



Janice Bastian - January 15, 2022 at 08:26 PM

JP

“ *Our sincere sympathy to you Leona and to your family. We always enjoyed visiting with Wes. May you find comfort and love knowing God is taking your hand as you walk this path, that brings so many memories to you. God Bless !*



judy & john pokorney - January 15, 2022 at 08:21 PM

DC

“ *Our deepest heartfelt sympathies to Leona, Kim and Mike and the entire Wes Truax family. Gods blessings in this time of sorrow and always.
Loren Coyer and Donna*



Donna Larson and Loren Coyer - January 15, 2022 at 10:32 AM

CS

“ *Cory Sandberg lit a candle in memory of Wesley Truax*



Cory Sandberg - January 15, 2022 at 08:45 AM

CN

“ With it snowing yesterday my thought was mom,dad,larry and Wes were having a card party like they used to when we got a blizzard. God bless you Wes you are a great friend to my family I shall miss you. Carla stokes nelson

carla nelson - January 15, 2022 at 07:36 AM

MC

“ Mark & Jamie Campbell lit a candle in memory of Wesley Truax



Mark & Jamie Campbell - January 14, 2022 at 11:24 PM

LJ

“ Sympathy and prayers to you Leona, and your family. Lit a candy in the memory of Wes. Lee and Helen James



Lee and Helen James - January 14, 2022 at 09:26 PM

JA

“ Jeanne Arvidson lit a candle in memory of Wesley Truax



jeanne Arvidson - January 14, 2022 at 08:45 PM

SL

“ Steve & Sherrie Lorentz



Steve & Sherrie Lorentz - January 14, 2022 at 06:23 PM

DS

“ Wes was a great neighbor, quiet, but could easily laugh. Loved to talk about sports and his family. Rest in peace Wes.

Dan Skogen - January 14, 2022 at 05:06 PM

LR

I rode the school bus with Wes. A little boy on our bus had a brain tumor. He was losing his sight and speech. A couple boys were teasing him. Wes got up and set them both down hard in their seats. He told them never to tease Tommy again or they would answer to him. The bus driver just watched and said nothing. They never teased him again. I admired Wes so much. The Lord has called him home. Our prayer for Leona and family.

Leone Rowan - January 15, 2022 at 09:47 AM



“ 2 files added to the album Life Tributes



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - January 14, 2022 at 04:27 PM

CA

“ *Sympathy and prayers to the family.*

Crystal Ahrens - January 14, 2022 at 12:38 PM

PH

“ *Thoughts and prayers are with you and your family, Leona.*

Patsy and Allen Holmquist - January 14, 2022 at 12:35 PM

CA

“ *Lit a candle in memory of Wesley Truax*



Crystal Ahrens - January 14, 2022 at 12:21 PM

TA

“ *I remember all the great times we had growing up from 1st grade through graduation, also all the sports we played together. R I P Wes. Tom A*

Tom Aldrich - January 14, 2022 at 12:09 PM

MP

“ *Morris & Karen Priebe sent a virtual gift in memory of Wesley Truax*



Morris & Karen Priebe - January 14, 2022 at 11:06 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Wesley Truax.*



January 14, 2022 at 10:24 AM



“ *Wilferd & Shirley Johnson lit a candle in memory of Wesley Truax*



Wilferd & Shirley Johnson - January 14, 2022 at 10:18 AM



“ *Gerald And Peggy Porter lit a candle in memory of Wesley Truax*



Gerald and Peggy Porter - January 14, 2022 at 10:11 AM



“ *Lisa Huckeba purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Wesley Truax.*



Lisa Huckeba - January 14, 2022 at 09:26 AM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Wesley Truax.*



January 14, 2022 at 09:26 AM



“ *Lisa Huckeba lit a candle in memory of Wesley Truax*



Lisa Huckeba - January 14, 2022 at 09:18 AM



“ *Jessica Anderson lit a candle in memory of Wesley Truax*



Jessica Anderson - January 14, 2022 at 06:22 AM



“ *RIP Wes.*

Les Thorstenson - January 14, 2022 at 02:14 AM

DS

“ *Duane Sibert lit a candle in memory of Wesley Truax*



Duane Sibert - January 14, 2022 at 12:23 AM

NK

“ *Norman And Julie Krause lit a candle in memory of Wesley Truax*



Norman and Julie Krause - January 13, 2022 at 09:50 PM

JJ

“ *Jon Johnson lit a candle in memory of Wesley Truax*



Jon Johnson - January 13, 2022 at 09:46 PM

MW

“ *Myron & Karen Winkelman lit a candle in memory of Wesley Truax*



Myron & Karen Winkelman - January 13, 2022 at 09:35 PM



“ *Amanda Kimber lit a candle in memory of Wesley Truax*



Amanda Kimber - January 13, 2022 at 09:26 PM

JE

“ *Jane Erckenbrack lit a candle in memory of Wesley Truax*



Jane Erckenbrack - January 13, 2022 at 09:25 PM

BB

“ *Bob Branstner lit a candle in memory of Wesley Truax*



Bob Branstner - January 13, 2022 at 09:05 PM

DT

“ *Diane Teigland lit a candle in memory of Wesley Truax*



Diane Teigland - January 13, 2022 at 08:17 PM

ST

“ Sympathy and prayers to the family.



Sue Theisen - January 13, 2022 at 07:28 PM

GG

“ Ginger & Roland Gilbert lit a candle in memory of Wesley Truax



Ginger & Roland Gilbert - January 13, 2022 at 06:46 PM

LC

“ Lois/Dale Captain lit a candle in memory of Wesley Truax



Lois/Dale Captain - January 13, 2022 at 05:40 PM

DV

“ Dorothy Voge lit a candle in memory of Wesley Truax



Dorothy Voge - January 13, 2022 at 05:26 PM

SK

“ Steve & Janet Kneisl lit a candle in memory of Wesley Truax



Steve & Janet Kneisl - January 13, 2022 at 05:09 PM

KL

“ Ken & Nancy Lawson lit a candle in memory of Wesley Truax



Ken & Nancy Lawson - January 13, 2022 at 04:46 PM

KM

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Dave and Karen Meinz



Karen and Dave Meinz - January 13, 2022 at 04:39 PM

TO

“ Tina & Jimmy Olson lit a candle in memory of Wesley Truax



Tina & Jimmy Olson - January 13, 2022 at 04:16 PM

RA

“ *Rita Anderson lit a candle in memory of Wesley Truax*



Rita Anderson - January 13, 2022 at 04:14 PM

GK

“ *Gene & Sandy Kappahn lit a candle in memory of Wesley Truax*



Gene & Sandy Kappahn - January 13, 2022 at 03:43 PM

KB

“ *Ken And Judy Broker sent a virtual gift in memory of Wesley Truax*



Ken and Judy Broker - January 13, 2022 at 03:33 PM