



LaVerne "L.H." Wagener

July 7, 1916 - February 19, 2015

LaVerne "L.H." Wagener, age 98, of Storm Lake, Iowa, died Thursday, February 19, 2015 in Des Moines, Iowa.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday, February 24, 2015 at 11:30 a.m. at the Lakeside Presbyterian Church in Storm Lake. Burial will follow in the Storm Lake Cemetery. Visitation will take place Tuesday, February 24, 2015 at 10:30 a.m. until the beginning of the service at the church. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to the Lakeside Presbyterian Church in care of the L.H. and Dorothy Wagener Scholarship Fund. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake is in charge of the arrangements.

LaVerne Harold Wagener ("Wag" a nickname given to him in grade school that stuck with him the rest of his life) was born on July 7, 1916, in Nemaha, Iowa to Ernest and Hattie Wagener. He grew up on a farm in the Sac County area during the great depression and learned the value of a good work ethic.

After graduating from Nemaha High School, he attended Buena Vista College where he met his future wife, Dorothy I. Galbraith. They were married on March 5, 1939 and celebrated their 75th wedding anniversary in 2014.

After graduating from Buena Vista College, Wag attended Northwestern University and received a master's degree in accounting.

He was a person of many talents and interests. He was a teacher in the Hudson, Iowa school district; he was hired to be the school superintendent in Dinsdale, Iowa (he also taught home economics, mathematics, and coached the basketball team at the same time) for \$1,600 per year; owned and operated a Dodge/Plymouth auto dealership in Traer, Iowa; owned and operated an insurance agency in Storm Lake, Iowa; and, was a heavy construction contractor building asphalt and Portland cement streets and roads, resurfacing county gravel roads and building canals in North Dakota.

In retirement, Wag and Dorothy spent their winters in Brownsville, Texas and their summers in Storm Lake, Iowa. Wag enjoyed watching the stock market when he wasn't fixing or building something, playing golf or traveling in the United States or in a foreign country.

Wag went to be with his Lord on February 19, 2015.

He was preceded in death by his brother and only sibling, Everett and his wife, Dorothy.

He is survived by his sons, Renny (Sandy) of Ankeny, Iowa; and Rex (Cindy) of Storm Lake, Iowa; six grandchildren: Megan, Dylan, Travis, Chad, Kayla, and Colton; and, six great grandchildren: Brandal, Daylan, Isabelle, Zachary, Elliott and Chelsea.

Cemetery Details

Storm Lake Cemetery

Storm Lake, IA 50588

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 24. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

Lakeside Presbyterian Church - Storm Lake
110 E. 3rd St.
Storm Lake, IA

Service

FEB 24. 11:30 AM (CT)

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Interment

FEB 24 (CT)

Storm Lake Cemetery
Storm Lake, IA 50588

Tribute Wall

JK

“ *Jeanne Konrady lit a candle in memory of LaVerne "L.H." Wagener*



Jeanne konrady - February 24, 2015 at 12:13 PM

FH

“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



Funeral Home - February 23, 2015 at 05:12 PM

LG

“ *Lary & Patty Gunville lit a candle in memory of LaVerne "L.H." Wagener*



Lary & Patty Gunville - February 22, 2015 at 09:36 AM

SL

“ *Sallie And Duane Leibhart lit a candle in memory of LaVerne "L.H." Wagener*



Sallie and Duane Leibhart - February 21, 2015 at 07:57 PM

BH

“ *Bob And Cheri Hardison lit a candle in memory of LaVerne "L.H." Wagener*



Bob and Cheri Hardison - February 20, 2015 at 08:05 PM

JD

“ *John And Connie Demers lit a candle in memory of LaVerne "L.H." Wagener*



John and Connie Demers - February 20, 2015 at 01:29 PM