



Raymond Anderson

August 25, 1928 - October 8, 2019

Raymond J. Anderson, 91, of Alta, Iowa, passed from this life on October 8, 2019, after a brief illness.

Memorial services will be held on Saturday, October 26, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church in Alta. Burial will be in the Scandinavian Cemetery in Alta. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to Trinity Lutheran Church in Alta (401 W 2nd St. Alta, Iowa 51002) or to a charity of choice. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Alta is in charge of the arrangements.

Ray was born in Alta on August 25, 1928, to Anton Anderson and Hilda Anderson (née Bengtson), and always called Alta home. He grew up on a farm outside Alta, graduated from Alta High School in 1946, and attended Buena Vista College.

Ray and Shirley L. Ewoldt were married in St. Paul Lutheran Church in Alta on October 15, 1950, shortly before the beginning of his service (1950-1953) in the US Army during the Korean War. Upon his discharge from the service he and Shirley returned to Alta.

Ray farmed near Alta for the rest of his working life. He also worked for more than forty years for the Buena Vista ASCS office (Farm Service Agency), ultimately becoming Director.

He was a faithful member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Alta and served as a member of the Church Council and as Council President. Ray was also a long serving member of the Alta Kiwanis Club. In recognition of his life of service, the State of Iowa honored him with the Governor's Volunteer Award in 1993.

On retirement Shirley and Ray moved into a lovely home in Alta. They enjoyed traveling and spending the winters at their home in Arizona. They could always be counted on to attend family events, whether near or far away.

Ray and Shirley had been married for 60 years when she preceded him in death in 2010. Ray's brothers Rangnar and Rudolph and his sister Dorothy also preceded him in death.

Ray lived his life as a faithful son, as a loving husband, and as a much-loved uncle to many nieces and nephews who now mourn his passing and will always cherish his memory.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation in Ray's memory to Trinity Lutheran Church or to a charity of your choice.

Cemetery Details

Scandinavian Cemetery

5753 50th Ave
Alta, IA 51002

Previous Events

Memorial Service

OCT **26**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Trinity Lutheran Church -- Alta
401 West 2nd Street
Alta, IA 51002

Tribute Wall



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Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - October 23, 2019 at 10:29 AM

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Mary Jane - October 18, 2019 at 12:13 AM

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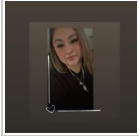


Mary Jane - October 15, 2019 at 12:54 PM

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“ I had the privilege of getting to know Ray when we both worked for ASCS/USDA. I managed the Pocahontas County office while Ray managed the Buen Vista County. Nice guy, kind, and honest. Condolences to the Anderson family.

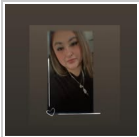
Dennis Olson - October 10, 2019 at 05:09 PM



“ Liz Trujillo lit a candle in memory of Raymond Anderson



Liz Trujillo - October 09, 2019 at 02:00 PM



“ My condolences and prayers go out to his family. He will be deeply missed at wellife.

Liz Trujillo - October 09, 2019 at 01:57 PM