



Wayne Andrews

July 10, 1924 - March 25, 2021

Mass of Christian Burial for Wayne Andrews, age 96, of Storm Lake, Iowa, will be held on Wednesday, April 7, 2021 at 11:30 a.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Storm Lake. To watch the recording of the service, visit Wayne's tribute wall. Burial will follow in the St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery. A visitation will take place on Tuesday, April 6, 2021 from 4:00-6:00 p.m. with a Knights of Columbus Rosary at 6:00 p.m. and vigil service to follow all at the Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in STORM LAKE. Masks and social distancing are required for all guests in attendance. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be given to the St. Mary's School Foundation at 300 E 3rd St. Storm Lake, Iowa 50588 or the SOS Store at 409 Cayuga St. Storm Lake, Iowa 50588. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake is in charge of the arrangements.

The Lord extended His hand to welcome an honorable man who answered His call. Wayne H. Andrews passed away March 25, 2021.

Born in Carroll, Iowa, July 10, 1924, the youngest child of Otis R. Andrews Sr. and Rosella B. (Shea) Andrews, Wayne joined his brother Otis Robert jr. 'Bob', and sister Dorothy 'Dot', in a loving, hardworking, faith filled, patriotic family. Many knew Wayne as 'Andy'. His mother enjoyed telling the story that when someone phoned the house, asking for Andy, she would reply, "Who do you wish to talk to? Otis, Dot, Junior, or Wayne?"

By either name, Wayne had a passion for an active life early on. He took his schooling seriously at St. Joseph's Catholic Grade School and Carroll Public High School. Shortly after graduation, Wayne enlisted in the U.S. Navy. As a Sea Bee, he traveled with his mates to the South Pacific for two years. At the close of the war, Wayne was honorably discharged with the rank of Petty Officer 3rd class. He continued to serve in the U.S. Navy Reserve from 1946-1949.

Upon his return stateside, Wayne stopped by Retameier Drug Store in Carroll, Iowa, to thank a young lady who wrote and sent letters from home to bolster a young sailor's spirits. That young woman stole his heart. Wayne Andrews and Bernie Niehaus were married September 15, 1947, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Carroll. Wayne had the opportunity to work at McCoy Motors honing not only his auto body repair and glass repair skills, but also his business skills.

In 1952, a new job opportunity at Peterson Motors brought the young couple and the first of five daughters to Storm Lake. In a short three years, Wayne and his partner, Pete Schwitters were ready to start a new auto repair business aptly named, Schwitters and Andrews Body Shop. In time, the business became Andrews Body Shop, the successful business that served Wayne's family and his customers well for 35 years.

Serving his church and community were of utmost importance to Wayne. From 1946 to 1952, he served as the Sargent of Arms for the Carroll American Legion Burial Squad. Over the years, Wayne volunteered his time in Storm Lake as President of the St. Mary's School Board for 6 years, as a St. Mary's parish Lay Director, Lector, Eucharistic Minister, and a Good Samaritan. As a Knight of Columbus, Wayne was Grand Knight, District Deputy, and State Long Range Planning Director. A 4th Degree Knight,

Wayne was a Faithful Navigator and served on the State 4th Degree Exemplification Staff for 40 years. Wayne served as chairman for the SCORE Chapter, served on the Buena Vista Red Cross Civil Service Commission, a Care Review committee at Methodist Manor, a member of Kiwanis High Noon, a member of the American Legion and VFW. Wayne and his wife, Bernie, were Commodores of the Star Spangled Spectacular for 3 years. Wayne and Bernie received the Senior Volunteer of the Year Award in 2013 presented by CommUNITY Education.

Wayne was equally involved with his daughters' projects and sports events at St. Mary's School, including building sets for theater productions and musicals, designing gym décor for proms, Fun Fairs, and chauffeuring to ball games and track meets. Wayne's favorite team was truly the St. Mary's Panthers. He was on the bench as their basketball time keeper at all home games for over 50 years. Wayne continued his volunteering as the SOS (Support Our Schools) Thrift Store President of the Board for 7 years. Working in the back room repairing and polishing was an enjoyable way for Wayne to support his community and St. Mary's School while working with his friends.

Wayne's bright blue eyes always shined with a wee bit of Irish mischievous. He loved sharing jokes and harmless pranks with his buddies. A great storyteller, Wayne was often asked by his daughters to repeat the stories of his childhood, his meeting their mother, and adventures with his parents. An avid sailor, Wayne made the best of every day spent on the lake, whether it was floating on a raft, paddling a canoe, skimming the surface on a sailboat, or flying across the lake in a speed boat that pulled his daughters through the waves on skis. Family gatherings were plentiful and always adventuresome.

Preceding Wayne in death include his beloved wife of nearly 73 years, Bernie Niehaus Andrews; his parents, Otis R. and Rosella B Andrews, brother, Otis

R. Jr. 'Bob' (Helena) Andrews, and sister, Dorothy (Max) Schumacher; in-laws, Marie and Louis Niehaus; brothers-in-law Donald and Merle Niehaus; great granddaughter, Stephanie Santor.

Those cherishing his memory and continuing his passion for helping others are five daughters; Barbara (Jerry) Rathke, Jane (Gus) Erickson, Mary Beth (Mick Polich) Andrews, Trish (Joe) Zielinski, Amy (Dan) Hurley; 8 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren, 2+ great-great-grandchildren, treasured in-laws, and many dear nieces and nephews.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 6. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - Storm Lake
1615 W Milwaukee Ave,
Storm Lake, IA 50588
(712) 732-1911
jensenfuneralhomes@gmail.com
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Rosary

APR 6. 6:00 PM (CT)

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Vigil Service

APR 6. 6:30 PM (CT)

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Funeral Mass

APR 7. 11:30 AM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church -- Storm Lake
320 Seneca Street
Storm Lake, IA

Tribute Wall



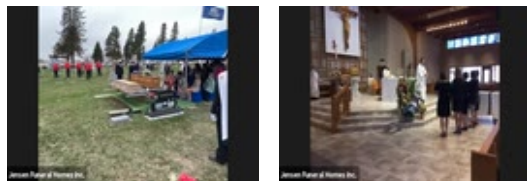
“ *Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Wayne Andrews*



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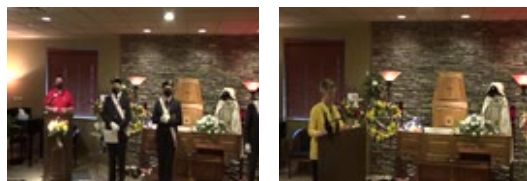
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Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - April 07, 2021 at 03:41 PM



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Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - April 07, 2021 at 10:44 AM



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Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - April 06, 2021 at 03:25 PM



“ *Fields of Europe* was purchased for the family of Wayne Andrews.



April 06, 2021 at 01:18 PM



“ *Healing Tears - Yellow and White* was purchased for the family of Wayne Andrews.



April 05, 2021 at 01:18 PM



“ *Healing Tears - All White was purchased for the family of Wayne Andrews.*



April 05, 2021 at 06:37 AM



“ *Hope Markes purchased the Healing Tears - Blue and White for the family of Wayne Andrews.*



Hope Markes - April 02, 2021 at 09:46 PM



“ *Pat Sudbay lit a candle in memory of Wayne Andrews*



Pat Sudbay - April 01, 2021 at 10:42 AM



“ *Healing Tears - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Wayne Andrews.*



March 31, 2021 at 08:32 PM



“ *Phil Stough lit a candle in memory of Wayne Andrews*



Phil Stough - March 30, 2021 at 09:51 AM

GC

“ *Grace Neuroth Casson lit a candle in memory of Wayne Andrews*



Grace Neuroth Casson - March 29, 2021 at 09:58 PM

ST

“ *My deepest condolences and may Wayne rest in peace. My prayers for Jane and Gus and the family. From your Kiwanis brother, Sjoerd*

Sjoerd Timmermans - March 29, 2021 at 02:30 PM

JE

Thank you so much, Sjoerd. Much love to you.

Jane Erickson - March 29, 2021 at 02:55 PM



“ *Sandy Robinson lit a candle in memory of Wayne Andrews*



Sandy Robinson - March 29, 2021 at 02:14 PM

AK

“ Adam/Angie Kutz lit a candle in memory of Wayne Andrews



Adam/Angie Kutz - March 29, 2021 at 11:56 AM

MM

“ Mary Beth, Mick & Andrew,

David and I are very sorry for your loss. We will keep you and your family in our thoughts & prayers.

David & Michelle Munoz

Michelle Munoz - March 29, 2021 at 10:55 AM

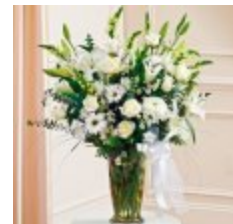
LH

“ Dear Andrews family-I will keep you in my thoughts and prayers. I met Wayne at Alley Galley over a cup of coffee over 35 years ago. I was teaching band at St. Mary's and I would also see him at the timekeeper's seat as the pep band got ready to play. He was always ready to help the school and with the church activities with a smile. We can all be inspired by that. Peace be with you.

Laura Hanna - March 29, 2021 at 06:37 AM

JN

“ Joe and Kathy Reinke Nemmers purchased the White (Large) Sympathy Vase Arrangement for the family of Wayne Andrews.



Joe and Kathy Reinke Nemmers - March 28, 2021 at 11:01 PM

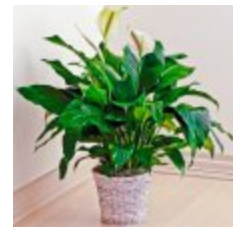
MP

“ *Mary Beth,
So sorry for your loss. He was such a nice guy! 96 is very impressive! Please let me know if mom or I can help in any way. Sending prayers and hugs.
Mindy Pyle
Cathy Rusley*

Mindy Pyle - March 28, 2021 at 04:49 PM



“ *Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Wayne Andrews.*



March 28, 2021 at 03:11 PM

JM

“ *I must say I did not know him personally through my school years. I remember he was always involved in the community, especially for St. Mary's events. He was a Facebook friends and he would make periodic comments about his family AND GOLF...A lot of pics of him in his golf cart! Amy was I my class of '82. I'm sorry Amy, you had a great Dad ! Peace be with you and your entire family.
Love you, Love J.D.*

J.D. Mullen - March 28, 2021 at 12:30 PM

RS

“ *“Andy” represents all that is great in American business: honest, friendly and caring. It was always a pleasure doing business with him. You knew you would be treated and listened to with respect. Prayers to his family.*

Randy and Marilyn Schmitt - March 28, 2021 at 11:56 AM



“ *Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Wayne Andrews.*



March 28, 2021 at 09:56 AM



“ *John And Connie Demers sent a virtual gift in memory of Wayne Andrews*



John and Connie Demers - March 28, 2021 at 09:10 AM



“ *Terra Sheehan-Sievers lit a candle in memory of Wayne Andrews*



Terra Sheehan-Sievers - March 28, 2021 at 07:24 AM



“ *Jeff & Marjean O'Bannon lit a candle in memory of Wayne Andrews*



Jeff & Marjean O'Bannon - March 27, 2021 at 10:27 PM

JC

“ Jeff/Jean Chindlund sent a virtual gift in memory of Wayne Andrews



Jeff/Jean Chindlund - March 27, 2021 at 09:12 PM

TM

“ Amy, Jane, May Beth, and Trish,
So sorry for your loss. Your dad always had the best smile. 😊

You are in my thoughts and prayers. Teresa McKenna

Teresa McKenna - March 27, 2021 at 08:07 PM

LB

“ Jane and family--So sorry for the loss of you Dad. He was such a kind and caring man.
Please know that he is in the arms of Jesus,
My sympathy
Karen Buchholz

Les and Karen Buchholz - March 27, 2021 at 06:31 PM

JE

Thank you, Karen. Hugs to you.

Jane Erickson - March 28, 2021 at 09:31 AM

MY

“ *Mark / Chris Young lit a candle in memory of Wayne Andrews*



Mark / Chris Young - March 27, 2021 at 02:03 PM

KK

“ *Highlight of going to St. Mary's basketball games was, sitting next to Wayne helping him run the scoreboard. Wayne had a big heart. He will be missed.*

Kevin Kottke - March 27, 2021 at 09:42 AM

MY

“ *Mark / Chris Young lit a candle in memory of Wayne Andrews*



Mark / Chris Young - March 26, 2021 at 08:02 PM

MF

“ *Mark Rita Fitzgerald lit a candle in memory of Wayne Andrews*



Mark Rita Fitzgerald - March 26, 2021 at 07:14 PM

TV

“ I feel deeply honored to have gotten to know Wayne and Bernie from my time on the SOS board during the purchase of and building the current store. Definitely a couple to pattern our lives after. Our deepest sympathy to Wayne's family.

Troy & Kari Vanderwoude

Troy Vanderwoude - March 26, 2021 at 06:30 PM



KM

“ Your folks were both very special people to us. They were both very involved in the community and especially in St. Mary's school and church and your Dad in the KC's. (With Wayne being involved meant Bernie was as well.) What a loss for everyone who knew them or came in contact with them. Our hearts are heavy as are yours. Our prayers are with you girls and your families. RIP Wayne.

Kevin & Julie McKinney - March 26, 2021 at 06:22 PM



 Tom Prchal

“ Tom Prchal lit a candle in memory of Wayne Andrews

Tom Prchal - March 26, 2021 at 04:33 PM



PG

“ *WHAT A GUY! HE HAD TO BE READY TO GO BE WITH BERNIE. THEY BOTH HAD GOOD LIVES & NOW THEY ARE IN HEAVEN WITH GOD. RIP. WE LIT A CANDLE IN MEMORY OF WAYNE. OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS ARE WITH HIS FAMILY.*



PEACE TO ALL, LARY & PATTY GUNVILLE

PATTY GUNVILLE - March 26, 2021 at 04:14 PM

DP

Wayne was such a well respected man, in our church and community! I've known him since a young girl, but he and Bernie would shop Hy-Vee until their health, and the virus kept them away. I always enjoyed visiting with them when I checked them out! Such a beautiful couple, that raised a family of beautiful ladies!! Your Dad will be missed by many, including myself. May he Rest In Peace 🕊️ My prayers go out to his family 🙏

Donna Pittman - March 27, 2021 at 11:02 AM

TM

“ *Tammy Miller lit a candle in memory of Wayne Andrews*



Tammy Miller - March 26, 2021 at 02:15 PM

BB

“ *Bob Baschke lit a candle in memory of Wayne Andrews*



Bob Baschke - March 26, 2021 at 12:41 PM

TC

“ *What a life lived.....it was just too long to be away from Bernie....sorry your hearts are hurting. Prayers and hugs from us*

Tim/Pegi Cavanaugh - March 26, 2021 at 12:21 PM