



Steve Wallace

February 3, 1957 - January 23, 2015

Steven L. Wallace, age 57, of Spirit Lake, passed away Friday, January 23, 2015, at his home in Spirit Lake. He was born on February 3, 1957, in Spirit Lake, to Leonard and Melba (Hilliard) Wallace.

Steve graduated from Spirit Lake High School in 1975. He was united in marriage to Judy Gerstandt on May 7, 1978, in Spirit Lake. Steve worked for Wedeking Construction for many years and helped his uncle, Dean Wallace farm. In 1992, he continued Dean's legacy and has been proud to operate the Wallace Family Farm since.

Steve was a member of the Dickinson County Cattlemen, Dickinson County Pork Producers, Dickinson County Snohawks and the Spirit Lake United Methodist Church. Steve served on many ag related boards and enjoyed volunteering his time to the community. Steve was a family man, he thoroughly enjoyed entertaining for any holiday and occasion. He loved meat and potatoes for every meal and he never met a stranger. He enjoyed spending his spare time with his grandchildren, enjoying his "hot rods", drinking pepsi, watching NASCAR and collecting anything with a motor!

Steve is survived by his two children, Jarrod Wallace, and his wife, Cari of Harris, and Malia Wallace of Omaha, Nebraska; sister, Bonnie Gross of Spirit Lake; four brothers, Merle Wallace, and his wife, Bonnie of Spirit Lake, Jerald "Jerry" Wallace, and his wife, Elaine of Spirit Lake, Keith Wallace of Ft. Dodge, and Mike Wallace of Spirit Lake; and three grandchildren, Allison, Tyler and Aubree Wallace. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife,

Judy; sister-in-law, Cindy Wallace; and brother-in-law, Daryl Gross.

A memorial service will be held at 10:30A.M. Monday, February 2, 2015, at the United Methodist Church in Spirit Lake. A memorial visitation will be held Sunday, February 1, 2015, from 2:00P.M. until 4:00P.M. at the Schuchert-Lentz Funeral Home. Burial will be at Lakeview Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given in Steve's name.

The Schuchert-Lentz Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

MB

“ My heart goes out to Jarrod & Cari and their kids, Allison, Tyler, and Aubree, and to Malia. Steve will be greatly missed. I met Steve through FarmersOnly in November. We texted and talked on the phone almost every day for over a month before we actually met at the HyVee deli in Spirit Lake. We talked alot about the importance of family and friends, as we were both very close to our families. He so very much loved his wife and missed her, enjoyed spending time with his kids and grandkids. He talked about one of his great birthday gifts ever, and that is his granddaughter Aubree as they share the same birthday, which is today. We went out several times when I was in the area. We had so much in common. The last movie we saw was American Soldier in Okoboji two weeks ago and the last time we shared together was at the Subway in Sherburne on the eve of January 22, as I was heading back to the cities and he was heading home after driving the rig all day. We talked on the phone after he got home since I was still driving. I never thought it would be the last time I'd hear his voice. I miss him lots; and thanks Cari for calling and letting me know. If there is anything I can do to help, please let me know. You are all in my prayers during this hard time. He's in God's hands now and back with Judy, the love of his life. And a great life he had.

Marge Braun - February 03, 2015 at 02:53 PM

BT

“ Steve Wallace

Bruce Thompson - February 03, 2015 at 09:10 AM

CL

“ Steve Wallace

Connie Leimer - February 02, 2015 at 06:45 AM

JC

“ Keeping Steve's families in our thoughts and prayers!!

Jeff and Linda Christoffer - February 01, 2015 at 12:03 PM

LF

“ A lot of us cousins are around the same age. I will always remember the fun we had on summer vacations at Grandpa's house, family reunions, fishing, running around Montgomery, and building hay forts and swinging on ropes in the Wallace barn with Steve and my cousins. Too bad we never had the chance to race our Z28's. We'll miss you Man!

Lee Farquharson - January 31, 2015 at 01:40 AM

SC

“ So sorry to hear of your loss our prayers are with the your family.
Donovan and Susan Carpenter
Calvin and Kathy Hardman

Susan Carpenter - January 30, 2015 at 06:38 PM

BS

“ Steve Wallace

Bob & Kate Shaw - January 30, 2015 at 01:19 PM

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BF

“ Steve Wallace

Bruce Farmer - January 29, 2015 at 10:25 PM

MS

“ Steve Wallace

Marsha Olson Smeltzer - January 29, 2015 at 04:58 PM

MS

“ *Condolences to the Wallace family on Steve's passing. As a '75 classmate, I can't think of Steve, without thinking of Steve and Judy together. I hope that the best of memories will sustain you in the coming days and that the tears will also bring smiles of happiness for the life that he lived. I will always remember the photo from our year book where the football players had to show their legs at a pep rally. Steve was sporting those cowboy boots before cowboy boots were cool! In fact, I think he even won the legs competition that day, had to have been the boots!*

Marsha (Olson) Smeltzer - January 29, 2015 at 04:56 PM

DW

“ *Malia and Jarrod,
My deepest sympathies to both of you. Your Dad was like a brother AND a cousin as we grew up and even more when we reconnected with Greg's passing.
You have a great family to lean on for support. The Wallace's are a strong group and will continue to charge on.*

Doug & Deb Wallace - January 29, 2015 at 10:12 AM

DB

“ *I went to school with Steve's brother, cared for Judy, and also his grandchildren when they were born. He was a dedicated family man! I hope you can find comfort, knowing that he is with Judy and his parents again and remembering all of the wonderful times you all had together. My deepest sympathy.*

Debbie Godbold Bahr - January 28, 2015 at 11:15 PM

DG

“ Remember all the great times with Dad and Grandpa...we're thinking of you guys at this time...take care.

Doug & Dawn Goodell - January 28, 2015 at 09:14 PM

BK

“ To the Wallace family, I am sad for your loss. Please accept our condolences. Steve and I served on Pork Producers, Dickinson Co Cattlemens Board, and the Dickinson County Mutual Board. I always appreciated his thoughtful comments and steady positive attitude as we served together. I am honored to consider him a friend.

Bruce Keenan - January 28, 2015 at 07:46 PM

CS

“ Steve Wallace

Chad Schuchert - January 28, 2015 at 06:28 PM

DL

“ Steve Wallace

Deb Letscher - January 28, 2015 at 04:32 PM

EB

“ Malia, Jerod, Merle, Bonnie, Gerald, Keith, and Mike my heart breaks for each of you. We as a family and community have lost a solid rock, leader and such a sweet, kind, wonderful guy who was always there with that helping hand reaching out to everyone to help in whatever way he could. The joyous reunion he and Judy are sharing, I am happy for them, but my heartbreaks losing Steve. May God give you the inter strength and love that only he can give, trust him always, even though we don't understand the whys, he's there for us. God blessings be with you .

Evalyine (Evy Hilliard) Billings - January 28, 2015 at 12:51 PM

DK

“ Steve Wallace

Doug & sally Kness - January 28, 2015 at 12:42 PM

BF

“ Thoughts and prayers are being sent to Jerod, Malia and the entire Wallace family during such a difficult time. May God's love and strength comfort you.

Brett & Amanda (Underwood) Smith family - January 28, 2015 at 09:33 AM

TH

“ Steve Wallace

Tom Hobson - January 27, 2015 at 10:54 PM

JF

“ Malia, Jarrod and family...we are very sorry for the loss of your dad and grandpa. He was a great man and he will be missed by everyone who knew him. Steve was a very kind man and our kids remember him bringing them up the driveway on the bus to the door because he felt sorry for them walking up the lane...especially in the rain! We have always respected Steve for his dedication to family and his hard work ethic. We will remember him for his kindness, his warm smile, and his obvious love for his family and his beloved Judy, which he can now be with eternally. Hold on to those very special memories as they will carry you through the tough times ahead and help to heal. God's blessings to all of you.

Jeff Ashland Family - January 27, 2015 at 09:31 PM

MH

“ Malia and Jared we are so sorry to hear of your loss. Steve was always cheerful and when we visited. We remembered are days together when we visited from Illinois. Your Dad was always wanting me to come up more often and with family it was hard. He will be sadly missed. God Bless you and all of are family.

Mark and Rebecca Hilliard - January 27, 2015 at 08:27 PM

GS

“ Malia and Jared, we are so sorry for your loss. Your Dad was a great guy. He will be missed by everyone.

Gayle and Cathi Sipes - January 27, 2015 at 07:41 PM

RF

“ Sorry everyone I downloaded the wrong picture. The picture is actually Daytona Beach March 2012. Getting his feet wet.

Ramona Frederick - January 27, 2015 at 07:19 PM

BN

“ I remember Steve and his '67 Camaro when he first got it. We'd cruise the streets together alot- us in the Mustang and him & Judy in his Camaro. He taught our daughter Maggie to ride a bike and she's never forgotten him. He was like a little brother I would never get tired of. We were always playing with the kids and cats and cars. And the Halloween costume parties we enjoyed with family and friends. We all loved family time! You will be missed by all my friend!! Love yuh & miss you!! Bruce

Bruce & Tammy Norgaard - January 27, 2015 at 06:27 PM

RM

“ I was shocked to hear of the passing of Steve. Now he can join Aunt Melba, my dad Jim Hilliard, Grandpa and grandma Hilliard and many other family members. Praying for everyone.

Rhonda Hilliard Meyer - January 27, 2015 at 04:40 PM

BP

“ Our deepest sympathy to Malia, Jared and family. I knew Steve when Gary and I were married and had family dinners at Grandpa and Grandma Hilliard's. Please tell Bonnie that we are so sorry for her losses so close together.

Bob and Jeanie(Morand) Petrie - January 27, 2015 at 01:38 PM

JW

“ Steve Wallace

Jan & Merle Wiese - January 27, 2015 at 01:14 PM

BP

“ You my friend & neighbor will be sadley missed until I see you on the other side Steve keep riding your snowmobiles & cool cars in heaven, God has you now in his ever loving arms I will never foget you. Barb Paine

Barb Paine - January 27, 2015 at 12:22 PM

SB

“ My deepest sympathy to Malia, Jared and family! Steve always had a smile on his face and was so proud of all of you! Sending prayers of comfort and peace to the Wallace family!

Sue Boettcher - January 27, 2015 at 12:04 PM

C7

“ I am so sorry to hear about Steve. I remember riding motorcycles, having parties and "scooping the loop" with him and Judy in high school. My wish for their family is know they loved you and keep them in your heart. Life is short, live every day to it's fullest.

Cindy (Larsen) Hanby Class of 75 - January 27, 2015 at 11:20 AM

TD

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the Wallace Family. So sorry to hear of Steve's passing. He was our kids bus driver many years ago and a great member to the snowmobile club with countless hours of grooming the trails.

The Delperdang's - January 27, 2015 at 10:46 AM

EB

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to Malia, Jarod, and the entire Wallace family. May God show you comfort and love during this difficult time.

Emily Boettcher - January 27, 2015 at 09:18 AM

TL

“ Still hard to believe... Steve's smile was contagious and will be greatly missed. We will think of you, Steve, every time we sit around the campfire for many summers to come! Will also be hard to not see you at the Friday night cruise ins. Our thoughts and condolences to all of his family during this time of loss. God Bless!

Troy, Melisia, Brittany and Kayla Langford - January 27, 2015 at 09:01 AM

BN

“ Steve was a great man and neighbor always a smile on his face. He will be missed. Thoughts and prayers

Brad and Brenda Nielsen - January 27, 2015 at 08:13 AM

LG

“ So sorry to hear of Steve's passing. Steve was always a such a nice person. May he RIP with his wife and classmate, Judy. Class of 1975

Lorrie (Bruns) Graettinger - January 27, 2015 at 07:35 AM

BE

“ Thoughts and prayers to Jarrod, Cari and the entire Wallace family. May the Lord grant you with wonderful memories and peace knowing he is enjoying his time watching over you all. Huggs!!

Brandon, Ericka, Rylan and Kelsey Ehret - January 27, 2015 at 07:34 AM

KA

“ Malia and Jarod, my thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. Malia- I love you, Im always here for you.

Kayla - January 27, 2015 at 07:33 AM

CV

“ Steve Wallace

Cathie Wallace Vancura - January 27, 2015 at 07:30 AM

EG

“ Jarod and Malia and family. May memories help you through this difficult time.

Elaine Greer - January 27, 2015 at 06:26 AM

KF

“ Steve Wallace

Kristi Fisher - January 27, 2015 at 06:13 AM

DP

“ Steve Wallace

Debbie and Ron Papenfuhs - January 27, 2015 at 06:02 AM

NN

“ Steve Wallace

nelda newton - January 27, 2015 at 12:15 AM

TW

“ Prayers to Steve's family during this difficult time.

Terry and Jessica (Radcliffe) Williams - January 26, 2015 at 11:07 PM

JO

“ Steve was a great man. Always a big smile and always willing to help. Going to miss putting in our yearly plot together. Rest in peace my friend. You will be missed.

John - January 26, 2015 at 10:39 PM

KC

“ Steve Wallace

Kristi Wallace Cooper - January 26, 2015 at 09:41 PM

KK

“ Steve Wallace

Ken Krie - January 26, 2015 at 09:33 PM

BB

“ Steve Wallace

Becky (Somers) Bertram - January 26, 2015 at 09:01 PM

JK

“ Steve was a great man! I'll miss talking with him on the phone every day. I'll miss truckin' with him. Now he is with his lovely wife, Judy in heaven.

Joseph Golla & Patty King - January 26, 2015 at 07:04 PM

CB

“ Steve Wallace

Carol Carver Barber - January 26, 2015 at 06:24 PM

MT

“ Our deepest sympathy's to the Wallace Family. Steve went out of his way to help so many with his time and talents, may he rest in Peace with Judy . He will be greatly missed.

Mike & Deb Travis - January 26, 2015 at 05:17 PM

MM

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Loss is so very hard for those that are left behind. May you find comfort in knowing that Steve is truly home and may you draw your strength from your family, friends, and all the fond memories you hold dear to your heart. God Bless all of you.

Marie Matthiesen - January 26, 2015 at 04:55 PM

JW

“ So sorry for your loss. May God's hands comfort you at this time.

Jlm and Ann Warburton - January 26, 2015 at 04:54 PM

DR

“ Jarod and Malia and family - Your parents were an absolute delight to be with. From racing to eating out, there was never a dull moment. Now they are united again. Although difficult now, God will provide the strength you need in the days ahead.

Dean and Susan Reiser - January 26, 2015 at 04:38 PM

PR

“ Wallace family,
So sorry for your loss. I remember Steve in high school even though I never had him as a student. He was always in the community doing wonderful things. Jerod and Malia stay strong.

Peg Rick - January 26, 2015 at 04:35 PM

RF

“ Jerod, Malia and family,
I am so sorry words can't express my feelings. Know that he will be greatly missed. All of my families thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

Ramona Frederick - January 26, 2015 at 03:32 PM

SK

“ *Wally Gator reunites with wife Judy. He missed her oh so very much. Bless all who knew Steve and became friends with him. Class of 1975.*

Steve Klein - January 26, 2015 at 03:04 PM

MN

“ *So sorry to hear of this. Completely unexpected. Steve was a great guy, teammate and classmate at Spirit Lake High. Prayers and condolences to his family.*

Mark Neustrom - January 26, 2015 at 02:22 PM

MN

“ *Steve Wallace*

Mark Neustrom - January 26, 2015 at 02:19 PM

BF

“ *Steve was a great guy, the smile..smirk that he had would brighten your day. God Bless him and his family.*

Billi Feller - January 26, 2015 at 01:30 PM

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“ *Steve Wallace*

paul bakke. class 75 - January 26, 2015 at 01:05 PM

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“ Rip. Gator

paul bakke. class 75 - January 26, 2015 at 01:04 PM

JC

“ Steve was a very important part of our snowmobile club for many many years!! - his presence the last couple of years was missed but he joined again this year and it was nice catching up with him. Our sincere condolences to the family ~ Jantina Carney, Dickinson County Snowhawks

Jantina Carney - January 26, 2015 at 01:04 PM

KS

“ Words cannot express how much Papa Steve will be missed. Lifting up Jarrod, Cari, Malia, Allison, Tyler, Aubree and all of his family in prayer. Praising God for the time we all got to share with him on Earth and thanking him for reuniting him with Judy.

Katie Serck - January 26, 2015 at 12:28 PM

ML

“ Steve will truly be missed. He was a wonderful neighbor, customer and friend. My thoughts are with all of Steve's family. Rest in peace Steve and Judy.

Marilyn Lambert - January 26, 2015 at 12:15 PM