



## Wallace Hamann

August 29, 1927 - July 16, 2016

Wallace Hamann of Milford passed away on July 16, 2016. Services will be held at the following times: Wednesday, July 20th - visitation, 4 to 7 pm at the Schuchert-Lentz Funeral Home in Spirit Lake, IA. Thursday, July 21st - funeral service, 11 am with reception following at the United Methodist Church in Spirit Lake. Friday, July 22 - burial service with military honors, 11 am at the Buena Vista Memorial Park Cemetery in Storm Lake.

Wallace Keith Hamann, the son of Charles John and Elizabeth (Kolpin) Hamann, was born on August 29, 1927 in Cherokee, Iowa. He graduated from Galva High School in 1945. Wally served in the U.S. Navy during WWII. After the war, he received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Buena Vista College in 1949. On July 26, 1953 Wally was united in marriage with Shirley Miller at the Baptist Church in Storm Lake.

From 1949 until 1975 he taught wood and metal shop, drivers ed, and junior high math in Royal, Bayard, Odebolt, Schaller, and Galva. Wally also coached girls' track, softball, and basketball, and led the Schaller girls' basketball teams to the state tournament in 1962-63 and 63-64. From 1955 to 1993, Wally farmed north of Galva. He and Shirley were active members of the Galva United Methodist Church and the neighborhood card club.

Wally and Shirley retired to West Okoboji in 1993, where he worked at Spirit

Lake Wal-Mart. He enjoyed golfing and playing 500 and other card games, and doing the daily JUMBLE puzzle in the paper. He loved watching the Twins, Vikings, and Iowa State Cyclones. Wally also enjoyed playing the harmonica, ukulele, concertina, and singing and dancing with Shirley and family.

Left to cherish Wally's memory are his wife of 62 years, Shirley; children, Pamela (Tom) Wolthoff of San Antonio, TX, Valorie (Dixon) de Lena of Albany, CA, Charles (Diann) Hamann of LeMars and Christan (Lisa) Hamann of Fort Worth, TX; nine grandchildren; one great grandchild; and a sister, Wanda Baraldi of West Des Moines. He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Donald Hamann; and a sister, Jeanne Meyer.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL **20**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Robinson Funeral Home  
2317 32nd St.  
P.O. Box 272  
Spirit Lake, IA 51360  
(712) 336-8471  
robinson@spiritlekefuneralhome.com  
<https://www.spiritlekefuneralhome.com/>

## Service

JUL **21**. 11:00 AM - 11:40 AM (CT)

United Methodist Church  
1812 Gary Ave  
Spirit Lake, IA 51360

# Tribute Wall



“ *Robinson Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Wallace Hamann*



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**Robinson Funeral Home** - July 20, 2016 at 03:42 PM

JB

“ *I remember as a kid going out to Grandpa Hamann's farm for the weekend in the camper. Great uncle Wally was out and about tending to his garden. I wanted to go see what he was doing but we were getting weather alerts for thunderstorms and tornado watches. It escalated really quickly to rain, wind and hail as it got upgraded from watch to warning. Having the local weather service on gathered with my Mom and sisters as we were watching where the storm was going. A knocking was happening on the door of the camper and didn't know it was Uncle Wally knocking on the door. In driveway in his yellow rain jacket he asked my Mom if we wanted to see his onion patch. It is a fond memory I carry with me as I go through thunderstorms now, the courage to be in the middle of the storm yet be so casually strolling about as if it was a sunny day and no clouds on the horizon. Through the entire storm going through he was out walking about, picking up branches putting them into a pile.*

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**John Bondgien** - April 23, 2025 at 12:17 PM

 Lisa Marie

“ I worked with Wally at Walmart in the late 90's. We worked together in paint & hardware for a short time but always found a moment or two to say hello and talk about the Cyclones when we weren't in the same department. After I left Walmart, Wally would always flag me down or wave when he saw me. He was one of the sweetest, most gentle souls I have ever met.  
My condolences to the family. He was loved much and will be missed greatly.

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**Lisa Marie** - July 20, 2016 at 08:08 PM

 SD

“ So many wonderful memories of this wonderful man! My sincere sympathy and prayers to the Hamann family.

*Sandy Young Demers*

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**Sandy Young Demers** - July 20, 2016 at 07:09 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Wallace Hamann.



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July 19, 2016 at 11:01 PM

 RH

“ I have fond memories of Wally as my friend's dad, my coach/driver's ed instructor, my music teacher's hubby, and a member of my church (while growing up). My prayers and sympathy are with all of you!

*Roxanne (Stahl) Hiatt - Galva class of 1975*

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**Roxanne Hiatt** - July 19, 2016 at 07:10 PM

BR

“ *Bob and I worked a lot of years with Wally at Walmart. Wally always had a big smile on his face every time you saw him and he was always happy to help you with a project or to help a customer. He never really said anything bad about anyone.  
Wally will surely be missed. Rest in Peace Wally.*



Bob and Rita Reimers - July 19, 2016 at 07:04 PM

RS

*My condolences to the Hamann family. Wally was a great teacher and coach who I greatly respected.  
Rich Selberg  
Atlanta, GA  
Schaller class of '66*

Rich Selberg - July 21, 2016 at 08:30 PM



“ *Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of Wallace Hamann.*



July 19, 2016 at 12:42 PM



“ *Memorial Honor Blanket was purchased for the family of Wallace Hamann.*



July 19, 2016 at 12:37 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Wallace Hamann.*



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July 19, 2016 at 10:00 AM



“ *Dale & Joyce Doescher lit a candle in memory of Wallace Hamann*



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**Dale & Joyce Doescher** - July 19, 2016 at 09:32 AM



*We have so many good memories of the days when we were neighbors--remember all the pitch club parties and the school events with our kids. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

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**Dale & Joyce Doescher** - July 19, 2016 at 09:36 AM



“ *Wally positively influenced so many young lives during his years of teaching and coaching!! My sincere sympathy to Shirley, the Hamann kids and families!!*

*Rolene (Stahl) Beauvais, Galva Class of 1971*

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**Rolene Beauvais** - July 19, 2016 at 08:39 AM

BG

“ Barbara B Gower purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of Wallace Hamann.



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**Barbara B Gower** - July 18, 2016 at 09:04 PM

DI

“ What a wonderful,intelligent and knowledgable man Wally was. I will always remember him from Walmart when I worked with him. He was such an asset to me for he shared his knowledge of hardware and paint with me , Wally was indeed the gentle giant

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**Dianne** - July 18, 2016 at 07:43 PM

LC

“ Linda Christoffer lit a candle in memory of Wallace Hamann



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**linda christoffer** - July 18, 2016 at 07:40 PM

LL

“ Lisa Lloyd lit a candle in memory of Wallace Hamann



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**Lisa lloyd** - July 18, 2016 at 07:30 PM

CH

“ *Christine Hinkeldey lit a candle in memory of Wallace Hamann*



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**Christine Hinkeldey** - July 18, 2016 at 04:59 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Wallace Hamann.*



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July 18, 2016 at 04:35 PM

AB

“ *Amy Blount purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Wallace Hamann.*



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**Amy Blount** - July 18, 2016 at 02:25 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Wallace Hamann.*



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July 18, 2016 at 02:03 PM

BW

“ A great guy with a good sense of humor - He will surely be missed. I am just happy my son (Tom) was lucky to meet one of his Daughters.

Wally & I had one thing in common - we loved those Cyclones. Hamann Family - you have my deepest sympathy. You are in my thoughts & prayers. Betty Wolthoff

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**Betty Wolthoff** - July 18, 2016 at 01:07 PM

TW

“ To the family of Wally,  
I SO enjoyed visiting with and getting to know both of your parents; wonderful people; I worked with Shirley several years in telemarketing at APAC in spencer. They were always SO kind to me. Your dad will be missed; hope your mother is doing okay.  
Rhonda Westphal, Primghar, IA

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**Thonda Westpyhal** - July 18, 2016 at 01:01 PM



“ Sheryl McKevitt lit a candle in memory of Wallace Hamann



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**Sheryl McKevitt** - July 18, 2016 at 08:14 AM

RT

“ Roberta Thorn lit a candle in memory of Wallace Hamann



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**Roberta Thorn** - July 17, 2016 at 08:03 PM

BT

“ *Brenda Tenney lit a candle in memory of Wallace Hamann*



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**Brenda Tenney** - July 17, 2016 at 07:40 PM



“ *Garden Accent Stone - "Wherever a Beautiful Soul..." was purchased for the family of Wallace Hamann.*



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July 17, 2016 at 05:19 PM

NR

“ *Nancy Rickman lit a candle in memory of Wallace Hamann*



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**Nancy Rickman** - July 17, 2016 at 11:57 AM

VV

“ *My sincere sympathy. Wally was such a sweet man and special person. Fun to be around. May God Bless and hold you close.*

*Verna Vagle*

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**Verna Vagle** - July 16, 2016 at 10:31 PM