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Grant L Sorensen, age 100, of Waupaca, WI passed away on Tuesday, December 6, 2016 at Theda Care Medical Center-Waupaca. Grant was born in the Town of Lind, Waupaca County on November 19, 1916, the son of the late Nels P. and Flora (Pope) Sorensen. After High School graduation, Grant drove off to California looking for work. He worked for a short time at a chicken ranch in Van Nuys before returning back to the farm. His luckiest trip was to Nebraska to be best man for a friend's wedding. There he met Verdell Noble and on June 7, 1942 they were married in Walnut Creek, NE. Verdell preceded Grant in death on August 13, 2014. Grant and Verdell farmed in the Town of Lind for over 60 years. He served on the Lynwood School Board, Midland Co-op, Methodist Church Building Committee and was on the Board of Directors of Consolidated Badger. He was a faithful member of First United Methodist Church, Waupaca. Although he traveled the world, he spent most of his time near Lind Center doing what he loved; family, hunting, fishing, square-dancing, and spending time with family and friends. He was very health-conscious, regularly exercising at the fitness center for 25 years. He was active in farm work and mentoring into his mid 90's. He caught his last fish at age 99 and was looking forward to the next spring's white bass run on the Wolf River. He was an avid reader of audio books and loved to watch NOVA or PBS. He enjoyed playing cards especially sheephead and cribbage. But more important than the games were the banter and conversations that resulted. We truly treasure our memories of him and the remarkable century of his life.

Grant is survived by his children: Rheta (Art) Richardson, Waupaca and Errol (Mary) Sorensen, Greenfield, MA; his 6 grandchildren: Brad (Lynn) Richardson, Michelle (Greg) Winter, Kristi (Wes) Jackson, Kendra (Joe) Olive, Nels (Stephanie) Sorensen, and Jessica (Craig) Dykstra; his 13 great grandchildren: Ian, Sam and Max Richardson, Mason and Joshua Winter, Ryland and Abram Jackson, Avery and



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Sydney Olive, Grant and Matthew Sorensen, and Rose and Laurel Dykstra and his younger brother Jay Vinton (Pete). Also surviving are many nieces and nephews. Grant was preceded in death by his parents, his wife of 72 years, Verdell, his brother Elmore (Al), his sister Inez Brustmann, and son Grant Eugene Sorensen. The Funeral Service will be held Monday, December 12 at 11 AM at the First United Methodist Church, Waupaca with Reverend Dee Ann Woods, officiating. Burial will be in Lind Center Cemetery, Town of Lind. Visitation will be on Sunday afternoon from 3 PM to 6 PM at the Holly Funeral Home in Waupaca continuing on Monday morning from 10 AM until the time of services at the church. A memorial fund has been established in Grant's name. The family wishes to thank Dr. Wenberg and her staff and Grant's caretakers, Karin & Sue for their wonderful care given to Dad. Holly Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements.

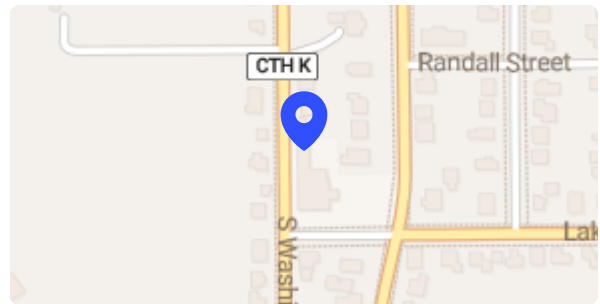


Events




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Visitation




-  **Sunday**, December 11, 2016
-  3:00 PM - 6:00 PM CT
-  **A. J. Holly & Sons (Waupaca)**
526 S. Main St, Waupaca WI 54981




Visitation

-  **Monday**, December 12, 2016
-  10:00 AM - 11:00 AM CT
-  **First United Methodist Church**
720 Demarest Street, Waupaca WI 54981

Funeral Service

-  **Monday**, December 12, 2016
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Cemetery Details

-  **Lind Center Cemetery**
Lind Center Road, Waupaca WI 54981



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Sonja Bjoern posted:

In memory of Grant Sorensen 12.th of December, is the day where family and friends must say goodbye, to a loving, kind, proud, beloved, and great man. Grant Sorensen is no longer with us. Grant puts a long, hard working and laborious life behind him, as farmer, a life he dearly loved. Even if he had passed the 90 years, and he didn't saw that well, he still drove his tractor in the fields. We have known Grant since we came to Wisconsin the year of 1976, and we will never forget the feeling of hospitality and friendship we met, and all the cozy hours, we have been joining the round table in the kitchen, drinking Grant's homemade wine, eating cheese and sausages, with the Danish flag in the middle of it all. For many years, Grant were looking forward to his 100 years anniversary, and he asked several times, whether we would come, for the celebration, He always commented it with the remark: " I am so happy you will come, but I am not sure I will be around". Luckily, he came to celebrate the day with his beloved family, and we are so grateful, that Sonja and Marianne had the chance to visit him this August, celebrate him, and singing the Danish birthday song he knew from his childhood. We will miss him dearly, and always keep the memory in our hearts, of a dear, dear cousin. We are proud to be a part of the family in Lind Center. All our thoughts will be with the family the 12. of December and in the future. We honor and respect the memory of Grant. Sonja, Finn and Marianne from Denmark

December 11 at 6:54 AM



Marci Beaucoup posted:

I met Grant when he was a patient in cardiac rehab. He was instantly one of my favorite people of all time! Through Grant I was able to meet his wife, Verdel, and his daughter Rheta, and through time became friends with the entire family. I have always believed that this family was so special that they were rewarded and blessed with the extra long lives of Verde and Grant! I am sorry to know that Grant is now gone from them as well as Verdel, but have no doubt that their spirits are strong in each of them, as evidenced by their compassion, generosity, love of a good story, and kindness. Great memories of Grant: how when he was basically unable to see, he still would plow fields on his tractor: he told me that his son would set it up in the field going in the right direction and he would just drive,, knowing the fields so well. (was this true???) His home made wine sitting just inside the door of their home...seeing him at various functions, although he could not see me: he would recognize my voice, and remember me. the way he would tell a story with that sort of vague smile but basically straight face, and it was usually a hilarious story....We are certain that Grant will be missed by so many! Our condolences, Fran and Marci

December 10 at 4:19 AM



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Anonymous sent a Fruits and Blooms Basket to the Sorensen family.

December 9 at 5:12 AM



Marion Snyder lit a candle in honor of Grant.

Grant will be missed at the annual "Waupaca Grand Reunion". Always looked forward to seeing him. Prayers for the family. Marion Snyder

December 9 at 12:27 AM



Johnsons Of England sent a Country Basket Blooms to the Sorensen family.

December 8 at 8:48 PM



Kay And David lit a candle in honor of Grant.

December 8 at 3:10 PM





Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Grant by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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