



## David Lorry Urness

October 31, 1939 - March 14, 2016

David Lorry Urness, age 76, of Waconia, died Monday, March 14, 2016, at the Ridgeview Medical Center in Waconia. A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, November 5, 2016, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the home of Lisa Urness, 8455 Gallery Parkway in Victoria, MN.

David Lorry Urness, the son of Oliver and Myrtle (Wangen) Urness, was born on October 31, 1939 in Mahnomen, Minnesota.

David graduated from Mahnomen High School and Moorhead State College. Upon graduating from college he moved to Dassel and was employed as a teacher and coach at Dassel High School and later Dassel Cokato High School. He also taught and coached in Red Lake Falls, MN and in Ada, MN. He loved to teach and coach kids both on and off the field and did so until his retirement.

He is survived by his children, Lisa (Razvan Atanasiu) Urness of Victoria; Mari Pokornowski of Minneapolis; Lori (John) Wartman of Waconia; and David (Jennifer) Urness of Naples, Florida; his grandchildren Zachary (Karen), Alexander (Claire), Joseph, Charles, Samuel, Brient, and Isaac Pokornowski; Ryan and Jonathan Urness; his great grandchildren, nieces and nephew.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Duane and

Douglas Urness.

Johnson Funeral Home in Dassel is in charge of the memorial service arrangements. Cards may be sent to 8455 Gallery Parkway, Victoria, MN in care of Lisa Urness.

# Tribute Wall

GN

“ *My deepest sympathy to you all. A person who always had a smile. Jerome and David played broomball together.*

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**Gail Nelson** - May 03, 2018 at 05:54 PM

VK

“ *Remembering Dave with fondest memories. I had him as a teacher in Dassel during his first years of teaching, my children had him as their teacher at Dassel Cokato. One of my sons took him to his senior honor banquet as his favorite teacher. He was always so positive.*

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**Virginia Keranen** - May 03, 2018 at 05:54 PM

DJ

“ *Urness/Pokornowski Families,*

*We are sorry to hear of Dave's passing. May God hold you close and bring to mind the great memories you all share with Dave. You will be in our prayers.*

*Sincerely,*

*Dean and Lisa Jennissen*

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**Dean Jennissen** - May 03, 2018 at 05:54 PM

KM

“ We are sorry to hear about Dave's passing. Dave, and the Urness family, have always been close to our hearts since Mike coached under Dave the first year Mike taught and coached in RLF...40 years ago. Dave was a wonderful mentor. Please accept our sincere thoughts and prayers.

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**Karen & Mike Mueller** - May 03, 2018 at 05:54 PM

JK

“ I taught with Dave in Red Lake Falls. I think one of the most remarkable qualities that he had was that he always saw the good in all students and if someone else criticized he would counter with positive things. What a wonderful attitude.

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**Jean Hanson Knaak** - May 03, 2018 at 05:54 PM

JH

“ Reading the obituaries in the Forum, David Urness name brought me back 30-35 years when I worked in the local drug store in Mahanomen. I remember his mother , Myrtle, would come in mention him and glow when she spoke of him . I was only 18 at the time , and why I remember that? I guess it left an impression with me on the relationship she had with her son! ?

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**Jeanine (Pederson) Houska** - May 03, 2018 at 05:54 PM

VT

“ Our sympathies for your loss of Dave. Our boys thought a lot of him as their COACH. God's Blessings to you!!!

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**Vaughn/Mildred Thorfinnson** - May 03, 2018 at 05:54 PM