



Gary Alden Peterson

June 14, 1942 - July 3, 2024

Gary Alden Peterson, 82, passed away on July 3, 2024, at his home in Cokato, MN surrounded by his loved ones. A funeral service will be held on Thursday, July 11, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. at the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Cokato with the Rev. Tim Wheatley officiating.

A visitation will be held on Wednesday, July 10, 2024, at the Johnson funeral Home in Dassel from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and on Thursday one hour prior to the service at the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Cokato.

Gary was born on June 14, 1942 at home in Stockholm Township to Carl and Mamie (Aho) Peterson. He graduated from Cokato High School in 1960. Gary married the love of his life Shirley on May 27, 1961, and they shared 63 years of marriage together. It was through this union they raised four children, Cary, Jerrol, Janell, and Jennifer.

Gary was a hard worker and most of his life he worked as a heavy equipment operator. He enjoyed fishing, woodworking, watching sports, and visiting friends. You could always find him in his garage working on various projects.

Family was very important to him, and he enjoyed every moment he was given with his wife, children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. He could share stories for days, jokes for hours and laughs for a lifetime.

Left to cherish Gary's memories are his wife, Shirley, their children; Cary (Becky) of Paynesville, MN, Jerry (Sabra) of Anchorage, Alaska, Janell (Don) Smith of Dakota City, IA and Jennifer Kusler of Litchfield, MN. He is also survived by his ten grandchildren and six great grandchildren. He is also survived by his brother, Lloyd Peterson of Austin, Texas.

He was preceded in death by his infant daughter, parents Carl and Mamie, three brothers (Stanley, Clarence, and Donny), two sisters (Carol and Janet), son in-law Brad Kusler and many other loved ones.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 10. 5:00 PM (CT)

Johnson Funeral Home
PO Box 1 611 N 2nd Street
Dassel, MN 55325
(320) 275-3381
jfhdassel@spectrum.net

Funeral Service

JUL 11. 2:00 PM (CT)

Evangelical Lutheran Church
280 3rd St SW
Cokato, MN 55321
<http://www.elchome.net/>

Tribute Wall



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Gary Alden Peterson.*



July 10, 2024 at 06:46 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Gary Alden Peterson.*



July 09, 2024 at 03:03 PM



“ *Love Mike & family and Marilyn & family. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gary Alden Peterson.*

Love Mike & family and Marilyn & family. - July 09, 2024 at 03:03 PM



“ *Eric Peterson purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Gary Alden Peterson.*



Eric Peterson - July 08, 2024 at 11:46 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Gary Alden Peterson.*



July 08, 2024 at 10:50 AM