



Orvel Ewald Serfoss

June 14, 1927 - June 19, 2019

Orvel Ewald Serfoss, age 92, of Waverly, Iowa, died Wednesday, June 19, 2019, peacefully in his sleep at home.

Orvel was born on June 14, 1927, in Waverly, Iowa, the son of Fred and Meta (Schellhorn) Serfoss. He was raised in Waverly where he was baptized in 1927 and confirmed on April 11, 1943, at St. Pauls Lutheran Church. Orvel attended St. Pauls Lutheran School until the 8th grade and then the Waverly High School graduating in 1945. In September of 1945, Orvel entered the United States Army Company F332 engineers, serving in France and Germany during WWII. On February 24, 1951, Orvel was united in marriage to Selma Ide at St. Pauls Lutheran Church in Waverly. Upon returning from WWII in 1946, Orvel went to work for the United States Post Office in Waverly, where he would work for the next thirty-nine years, retiring in 1985.

Orvel was a member of St. Pauls Lutheran Church in Waverly and a fifty-year member of the American Legion Post #176 of Waverly. He also was Boy Scout Leader for many years and volunteered at the Waverly Senior Center. Orvels greatest enjoyment was time with his family, however, he also enjoyed playing cards, dancing, and fishing, where he made his own lures. He passed away wearing his favorite sweatshirt, that said, Nothing beats fishing except for being a grandpa.

Orvels memory is honored by: two daughters, Susan (Roger) Lenius of Waverly, Iowa, and Nancy Luloff of Des Moines, Iowa; son, Terry Serfoss of Cedar Falls, Iowa; five grandchildren; eleven great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and a brother, Merrel Serfoss of Jesup, Iowa. Orvel was preceded in death by: his parents, Meta in 1953 and Fred in 1956; his wife, Selma on April 25, 2016; and a sister, Delores Hemingson in 2016.

Orvel has been cremated and memorial services will be at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 27th, at St. Pauls Lutheran Church in Waverly. Burial of cremains will follow at St. Pauls Lutheran Cemetery in Waverly where the Waverly Area Veterans Group will give honors. Visitation will be held on Thursday, June 27th, at St. Pauls Lutheran Church from 1:00 p.m. until the time of service. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to St. Pauls Lutheran Church, Cedar Valley Hospice, or the VA Clinic. Online condolences may be left at www.kaisercorson.com. Kaiser-Corson Funeral Home in Waverly is assisting the family with arrangements 319-352-1187.

Events



VISITATION

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

St. Paul's Lutheran
Church and School 301
1st Street NW,
Waverly, IA 50677



SERVICE

2:00 PM

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CEMETERY

2:45 PM

St. Paul's Lutheran
Cemetery-Waverly 601
12th Street SE,
Waverly, IA 50677

Tribute Wall

N **naomi**

My sympathies to your family at this time of deep sorrow. Death of a loved one brings great sadness but our Heavenly Father promises us that he will bring us comfort at Romans 15:5. I hope that family, friends and your memories will bring you a measure of peace and calm.

E **Elaine Main**

We have good memories of Orvel and his caring ways.

F **Funeral Home Owner**



D **Debra Davidson Mills**

sorry to hear of your loss. My condolences to your family. May he rest in peace.

J **Jim and Bonnie Graser**

sorry to hear of Orvel's passing. You have our sympathies, He was a neat fella!

P **Pat Melver and Jerry McCumber**

So sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

L **Larry Marlette**

Sorry for your loss. I grew up with scouts with Orvel's guidance. Really appreciated his help and leadership.

D **Diana Dean**

Susan and Roger, thinking of you at this time. Sympathy to you and your family!

M**Matt and Marcia Campbell**

Susan and Roger, Our sympathies on your loss. Thinking of you,

R**Rose**

Please accept my deepest condolence. God understand your grief, and he is, able to give you comfort and strength "at the right time" (Hebrews 4:15, 16). May your special memories help you to cope with the loss of your love one and "the God of all comfort" (2 Cor. 1:3, 4) give the family the strength and comfort in this time of need.

V**Valerie & Jim; Mormann**

Susan and family know that you are in our thoughts and prayers!

D**Denise Douglas**

Although your hearts are filled with pain and sorrow, my hope is that you gain comfort from God's promise to reunite us with our loved ones on the earth; never having to say goodbye again. For Jesus will make this earth the problem-free paradise that his Father intended it to be. Revelation 21:4; and John 5:28, 29 speaks of that resurrection. May the God of Comfort give you peace through His word the Bible.

D**Dan and Paulette Norton**

Sue and family our thoughts and prayers to you all at this very difficult time. With deepest sympathy and wishing you strength for today and hope for tomorrow. Dan and Paulette Norton

G**Grant Jensen**

Susan and Roger, so sorry to hear this. Just try to remember all the good times. Grant and Nancy Jensen.

B**Bev Saathoff**

Susan and family, thinking of you all with my sincere sympathy. Both your dad and mom were special people.

K**Kim Bunce**

My deepest sympathies to the Serfoss family.
