



Walter H. Wilhelmi

July 25, 1927 - November 3, 2023

Walter H. "Wally" Wilhelmi, age 96, of Florence, WI, was called to Heaven on Friday, November 3, 2023, at Florence Health Services in Florence, WI.

He was born on July 25, 1927 in Abbotsford, WI, son of Frederick and Amelia Wilhelmi. He graduated from high school at Sturgeon Bay, WI and enlisted in the US Navy. He served in Guam until the end of World War II. Wally was united in marriage to Joyce Sternhagen on July 23, 1954 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Florence, WI. They shared a long and wonderful life together until her passing in 2018. Wally was a member of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church and served as treasurer for many years as well as an usher and council member. Walter was employed as an underground ore miner until the Upper Peninsula underground mines closed at which time he worked at Randville open pit mine until he retired. His free time was spent fishing, gardening, mushroom and berry picking, and hunting with a group of special friends at their LaMontagne Camp.

Survivors include his two daughters, Cheryl (Vilas) Schroeder of Jackson, WI, and Paula (Dick) Leffler of Florence, WI; 6 grandchildren, Luke (Gail) and Matt (Jodie) Schroeder, Sarah Steinke, Rachel (Adam) Porath, Jimmy Wilhelmi, and Kasey (David) Gaston; 12 great grandchildren; 1 brother, Earl (Carol) Wilhelmi; 1 sister, Shirley Luehrs.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Joyce; son, Mark Wilhelmi; brother, Ken Wilhelmi; sister, Arlene Sternhagen; and a grandson, Adam Schroeder

A visitation for Wally will be held at St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church 524 Olive Ave. Florence, WI 54121 on Friday, November 10, 2023 from 10am-11am followed by an 11:00am service with Pastor Jason Liebenow officiating. Donations in Wally's memory may be made to St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Condolences to the family of Wally Wilhelmi may be expressed online at www.ernashfueralhomes.com.

The family has entrusted the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home of Iron Mountain with the arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Walter H. Wilhelmi.*



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“ *To the family of Wally Wilhelmi. My condolences for your loss of Wally. I first met him at the end of 1945. My uncle Ron and him became very good friends and they spent many hours at my home. Wally worked for my Fathers logging company and Knoke saw mill for a few years and then ventured into underground iron ore mining. He was always a very friendly person and could hit a hard ball out of the park. I visited with him in mid October and he was very jovial and alert. We had a very good visit. May he "Rest in Peace".*



*Gerald McMullen
Spokane, WA.*

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