

## Hunter's Prayer

I pray that I am able to hunt  
until my dying day  
And when it's time for my last trip  
I then most humbly pray,  
That the Lord will surround me-  
with all of my friends,  
to relive the hunts of the past,  
I'll bank the fire-one last time  
Before entering His great  
forest at last.

~ J.D. Dutter

# In Loving Memory



Joseph "Wade" Rose  
March 14, 1942 ~ August 21, 2018

Joseph “Wade” Rose, 76, left to go fishing in heaven Tuesday, August 21, 2018 from the Cedar Valley Hospice House in Waterloo. He was born on March 14, 1942 to Dr. Joseph and Phyllis (Carpenter) Rose. Wade was an Eagle Scout and graduated from Grundy Center High School in 1960. While attending Upper Iowa University Wade enlisted in the Army and served for 3 years. One of those years was in Vietnam as an ambulance driver. After serving his country he returned to Upper Iowa and graduated. Wade was a Past Master of the Emerald Lodge #334 A.F. & A.M. and a Past Grand of the Tallulah Lodge Odd Fellows.

Wade was an avid outdoorsman and an excellent marksman. He had a love for training his hunting dogs and uncharacteristically grew to love even small “yippie” dogs and a couple of stray cats that found their way to the farm. Wade spent many summers fishing and duck hunting in Canada, deer seasons hunting in southern Iowa, prairie dog hunting in Nebraska, goose hunting in Kansas, ice fishing in South Dakota and salmon fishing in Wisconsin. He had many entertaining stories from outdoor adventures with his friends and fellow outdoorsmen.

Wade was a 45 year-old bachelor when he met Barb Sager and her 3 young kids, who he later, “stole fair and square”. With his big heart he took to his new instant family almost seamlessly. Though his spousal and parenting skills were unconventional at times his love for his family was evident. Wade and Barb were married on April 26, 1997 in Grundy Center. Possibly his favorite role, grandparenthood, came later in life and softened his heart even more. Members of Neema and Papa’s sixpack were “tops in his book”. He spoiled them with pogy bait and endless trips to Wal-Mart and often marveled how other grandparents in the world couldn’t see that HIS grandfuzzers were the best!

Wade is preceded in death by his mother, father, step-mother, Emma, and sister, Laura. As well as his dogs, Tippy, Zack, Nicki, Sheba, Sadie, Dudie, Lukie, Ty and Gulliver the cat.

Wade is survived by his wife, Barb “Barbie Doll” Rose of Holland, Iowa, his brother, George “Butch” of Eldora, his son, Matthew “Lackey” Wikert of Dike, Iowa, his daughter, Andi “Sweetheart #1” and Robert, “Street-Thug” Blake of Ft. Collins, Colorado, his daughter, Amy “Sweetheart #2” and Wyatt “Gunslinger” Hinders of Webster City, Iowa, his dogs, Geno, Sugar, and Spice and cat, Callie. And of course his beloved six pack, Piper “Sweetheart J R” Wikert, Corbin “Corby” Wikert, Ronan “Walks to the Beat of His Own Drum” Wikert, Uriah “Ri-Ri” Blake, Eli “E” Blake, and Stone “Golden Boy” Hinders.



*Until We Meet Again...*