

David Allen Wesselink, son of John and Jeanette (De Boer) Wesselink, was born east of Carmel, Iowa, on December 5, 1940. He attended church in Carmel and school in Plato Township 8. In 1954, he and his family moved to Rock Valley, Iowa and joined the First Reformed Church. Dave graduated from Rock Valley High School in 1958 and proceeded to attend Northwestern College in Orange City, Iowa for the school year of '58-'59. Following this, he worked with his dad, John, in the meat locker in Rock Valley for several years.

He married his wife Doris, in August of 1961 at EUB country church near Langdon, North Dakota. They started their family together in 1962 in Rock Valley. Their house on Main Street quickly became a home for them and their four kids: Dennis, Doug, Deb, and Darin. They made countless memories and established many traditions together including fishing trips, pigs in a blanket, card games, and the list goes on. In his personal time, Dave acted as a boy scout leader, hunter's safety instructor, played pinochle and shot pool. But anyone who knew Dave, knows that his true passions were hunting and fishing. He served as both deacon and elder in the church many times, and taught catechism for many years.

Dave drove school bus for several years before beginning to work for McNess full time. He worked for McNess for 19 years as a sales manager of Northwest Iowa. He then worked at Kooima Manufacturing before going to work for Farmer's Elevator as a salesman. In this role, he worked for Land O' Lakes as a sales manager for 23 co-ops in Northwest Iowa. He worked hard and took great pride in his accomplishments. Dave passed away on Tuesday, January 10, 2023, at Hegg Health Center in Rock Valley at the age of 82.

Dave is survived by his wife, Doris; 4 children: Dennis Wesselink, Doug Wesselink, Deb Kuiper, and Darin Wesselink; 9 grandchildren: Alison, Matthew, Christopher, Erika, Lindsey, Brittany, Dallas, Jack, and Hannah; and 12 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Jeanette Wesselink; and siblings, Richard John and Mary (stillborn).

As many of you have heard on Dave's voicemail, "I wish I was fishin', and I could be." We believe he is fishing today in heaven.

Celebrating the Life of *David Allen Wesselink*

December 5, 1940 ~ January 10, 2023

FAMILY INURNMENT

Carmel Cemetery
Carmel, Iowa

MEMORIAL SERVICE

10:30 AM, Saturday, January 14, 2023
First Reformed Church
Rock Valley, Iowa

OFFICIATING

Rev. Cliff Hoekstra

REMEMBRANCES

Dave's Family

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"Be Still, My Soul"

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"
Terry Baartman

CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS

"What A Day That Will Be"
"Blessed Assurance"

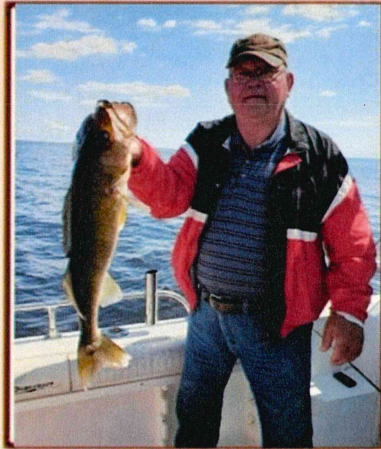
RECESSIONAL HYMN

"I Know Whom I Have Believed"

*Dave's family invites everyone for a time of
food and fellowship in the church fellowship hall
immediately following the memorial service.*

Gone Fishing

I've finished life's
chores assigned to me
So put me on a boat
headed out to sea.
Please send along my
fishing pole, For I've
been invited to the
fishin' hole, Where
every day is a day to
fish. To fill your heart
with every wish, Don't
worry or feel sad
for me, I'm fishin' with
the Master of the sea.



David Wesselink
January 10, 2023

We will miss each other for a while,
But you will come and bring your smile.
That won't be long you will see,
Till we're together you and me.
Be happy as I go out to sea.
If others wonder why I'm missin'
Just tell 'em I've gone fishin'.



In Loving memory



David Allen Wesselink

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