



Joel Wuthrich

December 10, 1931 - May 26, 2021

Joel Eugene Wuthrich, 89 of Bloomfield, Iowa passed away Wednesday, May 26, 2021 at his home surrounded by his loving wife and children. He was born December 10, 1931 in West Bend, Iowa to Albert and Elizabeth Wuthrich. He attended country school in the Pulaski area and graduated from Pulaski High School in 1950. He was in the military for ten months from 1951-1952. Joel was a member of the Apostolic Christian Church for 65 years.

He is survived by his wife, Shirley, of almost 66 years. Also surviving are their five children, Ginny Wuthrich and Jeffrey Wuthrich of Bloomfield, Laura (Brad) Funk of Garden Grove, Iowa, Jean Eberhardt of Mediapolis, Iowa, and Carrie (Ted) Wiegand of Mt. Pleasant, Iowa. He is also survived by eight grandchildren, Seth (Whitney) Eberhardt, Katie (Charles) Buckley, Kent (Miranda) Eberhardt, Shane (Katie) Eberhardt, Jaelah Funk, Joel (Oliva) Funk, Kaelen Wiegand and Lance Wiegand; eight great-grandchildren with one on the way. He is also survived by two brothers, Russell Wuthrich of Bloomfield, Iowa and Bill (Gloria) Wuthrich of Kirksville, Missouri, two sisters, Lois Sutter of Palmyra, Missouri and Mary Elizabeth (John) Gramm of Gridley, Illinois.

Joel was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers; two sisters; and two grandchildren, Abida Daniel Funk and Jonathan Wiegand.

Joel was known by his soft-spoken thoughtful words, kind gentle spirit and patience. He was a loving husband, father and grandfather who loved the Lord. He owned and operated Wuthrich Construction doing excavation work. Many benefited from his mentoring in this line of work. He also raised cattle, farmed and had 25,000 laying hens. One of his joys in life was spending time with family. There are many memories of hunting and fishing.

Memorials have been established to Apostolic Christian Church LifePoints and the Apostolic Christian Church Sunday School.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 29, 2021 at the Apostolic Christian Church in Bloomfield. Burial will follow at the Bloomfield Apostolic Christian Church Cemetery. Visitation will begin at 2:00 p.m. on Friday at the church with the family present to greet friends from 2:30-4:30 p.m. and again from 6-8:00 p.m. The family will also be available to greet friends on Saturday morning at the church from 9:15 a.m. until the time of the service. The family requests that masks be worn for visitation and funeral.

Events

MAY **Visitation** 02:00PM - 08:00PM

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Bloomfield Apostolic Christian Church
19420 Lilac Ave, Bloomfield, IA, US

MAY **Visitation with Family Present**02:30PM - 04:30PM

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MAY **Visitation with Family Present**06:00PM - 08:00PM

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MAY **Funeral Services** 10:30AM - 11:30AM

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Comments



“ Dixie Coy lit a candle in memory of Joel Wuthrich



Dixie coy - June 18 at 09:44 PM



“ Laura. I know you must miss him dearly. My condolences.

Dixie - June 18 at 09:46 PM



“ Laura, my condolences. He surly was a wonderful father, he raised a wonderful daughter.

Dixie - June 18 at 09:48 PM



“ Shirley, Ginny, Laura, Jeff, Jean, Carrie,...

Looking back, we remember taffy pulls at your house, seeing Joel in church and having him as a Sunday School teacher; but mostly we remember Joel as a gentle man who greeted us with a soft smile, a gentle handshake and kind words. It is difficult to care for our loved ones as they linger and fade away, yet this is experiencing the circle of life before our very eyes. Cancer is ugly, yet bittersweet in that it can allow us more time with our loved one; unlike a sudden death. May your treasured memories and our loving God comfort each of you in the days ahead! Mom reminds me that dad and Joel shared the same birthday, and even watched to see if the wound share the same death date. Mom would mention recent phone calls she received from Joel, and it touched me that he took time to remember her.

Joel sharing the same birthday

Nancy and Wilma Teubel Teubel



Nancy Teubel - May 30 at 10:49 AM



“ You all have very my Sympathy in the passing of your dear Dad, Father, Husband, Brother, Uncle Cousin, A Brother in Faith who loved his JESUS Christ . All those precious memories the I was with my Mother and Father who lived their too. Oh how I remember the special times I was with my brothers, Donald and David Vera, Janet . All the good times we we're together for Church when we we're growing up. How I remember that Brother Joel was always smiling a sweet smile. He was a great Sunday School teacher too . I special memories that I had dinner at your house. May God put his arm around all this dear Family and strengthen and blest each one.

Jane A Reiman. From Springfield Mo. - May 28 at 02:35 PM



“ June 18-19, 1955. I remember well the weekend they were married. I was 9 1/2 years old living on a farm southeast of Lester with mom and dad, Martin and Zelma Knoblock, and my four siblings, Kenneth-14 yrs, Roger-12 yrs, Linda-11 yrs, and little sister, 1 year old Gail.

My mother, Zelma Banwart(her mother's maiden name)Metzger Knoblock was a 1st cousin to Joel. She offered to have the Saturday evening dinner for out of town guest.

We carried our dining and living room furniture into a bedroom so we could set up tables and chairs to accommodate the guests. It was work but such a delight to do this labor of love for Joel and Shirley. I wish I could remember the number of guests we fed.

We had done a similar Saturday evening dinner for cousin, Russell and Karoline Wuthrich when they were married the weekend of March 15-16, 1952. We deemed it a privilege to share in their special unions.

We love you and care, Roger and LaVonne Aberle

LaVonne M Aberle - May 28 at 12:12 PM



“ Shirley & family,
Our deepest sympathy to you all in your loss. Joel was a good man of God, and loved and respected by everyone. Treasure the memories. May God bless and be very near tin this difficult time. You're in our prayers, Marilyn Downing & family

Marilyn Downing - May 28 at 12:07 PM



“ Joel was such a great man. Loved helping them gather eggs in the days. He will be greatly missed. Prayers to Shirley and all the family. Linda and Chip

Linda L Grant - May 28 at 11:23 AM



“ Shirley and family, we were saddened to hear of Joel's passing on from his earthly home, but know with great confidence that he has moved on to his heavenly home that is filled with unending joy, peace, no more sorrow or pain. He has taken on a new body and is celebrating around the wedding feast with many of his loved ones that have gone before him to make ready a place ready for him. We have so many great memories of visiting Bloomfield when we lived in Cedar Rapids, enjoying many family meals together and many nights playing excitement filled games around the table with him and your family. I always remember Joel's quiet demeanor, his great smile and his witty one liners, he will be missed. May you be strong in the Lord and know that Joel left a large legacy on earth. He had a desire to serve the Lord, wanting his beloved family to know the Jesus he had taken as her savior. May Jesus hold you tight, giving you strength and encouragement knowing he has fought the good fight, has finished the race and has taken his place at the right hand of his savior with the saints. With outpouring love for each of you, Jay, Holly and Morgan Mogler

Jay Mogler - May 28 at 10:08 AM



“ Barbie sent a virtual gift in memory of Joel Wuthrich



Barbie - May 28 at 10:00 AM



“ Dear, Shirley, Ginny, Jeff, Laura, Jean and Carrie,
Joel was a good neighbor and a kind man. My thoughts go out to you at this time of loss.
Nancy St Clair

Nancy St Clair - May 28 at 09:51 AM



“ You prayed for his release, you know without a doubt he’s going to a better place, you rejoice that he’s in Heaven with Jesus, but, oh the pain of saying farewell....You are all in my prayers.

Janette - May 28 at 07:30 AM



“ Our sympathy, thoughts and prayers are with you all. May God be with you and provide His comfort in the days ahead. Lots of precious memories. Dale & Becky

Becky Wulf - May 27 at 10:36 PM



“ Dear, Shirley, Ginny, Jeff, Laura, Jean and Carrie,

I have so many wonderful memories of your Dad and all of you. Your Dad's legacy will be carried on by all of you. My deepest sympathy for your loss. God has him in Heaven but you have him in your heart.

You are in my thoughts and prayers ~
In Christ,

Love,
Valarie Sample

Valarie Sample - May 27 at 09:43 PM



“ Dear Wuthrich Family,

We have so many memories of your family. We would like to express our deepest sympathy to you all. We are unable to attend the visitation or funeral but we wanted you to know that we are praying for your family,

In Christ,
Michael & Rachel Messner

RACHEL MESSNER - May 27 at 08:18 PM



“ Dear Wuthrich Family- we extend our sincere sympathy in the loss of your dad. How well I remember his welcoming smile and handshake whenever we visited Pulaski/Bloomfield church. As a Sunday School visitor from Oakville, the Wuthrich's seemed to me to be the mainstays of Pulaski- as the Hoerr's were in Taylor! As an adult and bringing our family to Bloomfield on a few occasions, it was good to see the Wuthrich's again— only now Jeff looked like how his dad did when I was younger! May God's peace and precious memories be your comfort. Beth and Kent Steffen

Kent and Beth Steffen - May 27 at 06:05 PM



“ To the family of joel. My sympathy and prayers and thoughts going to the family he was a good guy he will be bbn miss lynn roberts

Lynn roberts - May 27 at 05:06 PM



“ Lynn Roberts lit a candle in memory of Joel Wuthrich



Lynn roberts - May 27 at 05:04 PM



“ Garden Accent Stone - 'Wherever a beautiful soul...' was purchased for the family of Joel Wuthrich.



May 27 at 03:38 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Joel Wuthrich.



May 27 at 03:34 PM



“ Joel was such a caring guy and kind neighbor to my dear sweet ol Grandpa Tom Boas - much love and prayers goes out to his family

whitney lee - May 27 at 03:03 PM