



Dennis Goplen

August 30, 1939 - November 21, 2006

Dennis Leroy Goplen was born August 30, 1939 in Cloquet, Minnesota to Avlin Leroy Goplen and Virginia (Maxner). Dennis graduated from Onamia High School in 1958. On October 26, 1959 he enlisted in the United States Air Force and was awarded several medals and badges. On October 25, 1963 Dennis was released from active duty and was given an honorable discharge from the Air Force. He was united in marriage to Betty Wickham on January 23, 1965 at Bethany Lutheran Church in Onamia. Dennis was very active in the American Legion serving as post commander for Local 395, founder of the American Legion Scholarship Foundation, and most recently was the historian. Dennis also led the Memorial Day service program at the Mille Lacs Nursing Home as well as the Veterans Day program for the community at the Onamia Schools. He will always be remembered by friends and family for his ability to build and fix anything. Dennis enjoyed the outdoors, his cars, motorcycles, tractor, and the Minnesota Vikings.

Dennis is survived by his wife Betty of Onamia, MN; sons, Dennis R. Goplen & wife, Coleen of Onamia, MN, Daniel Goplen & wife, Amy of Wahkon, MN; a brother, Alvin P. Goplen of Crosby, MN; a sister Meredith O'Brien & husband, Robert of Burnsville, MN; 3 grandchildren Kiana, Kaylie & Charlie. He was preceded in death by his parents Alvin & Virginia Goplen.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **24.** 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Wahkon Presbyterian Church
240 First St W
Wahkon, MN 56386

Service

NOV **25.** 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Dennis Goplen*

January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM



“ *I am a third cousin to Dennis. I met him a few years ago while doing genealogy research. His Gr. Grandparents first settled in Wisconsin and moved on to Minnesota in 1898.*

I enjoyed visiting and sharing photos and information with him.

I was very sorry to hear of his death, and my sympathy goes out to his family.

Sincerely, Ed Goplin - 2577 Erbe Road, Blue Mounds, Wisconsin 53517

Ole A. Goplen was a brother to my Gr. Grandfather Gilbert A.

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