



Elwood Miedema

September 20, 1928 - October 2, 2017

Elwood Miedema, age 89, of St. Anne, passed away Monday, October 2, 2017 at Presence St. Mary's Hospital in Kankakee.

He was born September 20, 1928 in Wichert, the son of Henry & Jennie Schaafsma Miedema.

Elwood married Anna Marie Tallman on August 9, 1950 in Wichert.

Elwood was a lifelong farmer in the Wichert area. He and his brother Ken grew gladiolus, grain, and other assorted crops over a period of seventy years.

Elwood was a member of the First Reformed Church of Wichert where he served as an elder and a deacon. He was also a St. Anne Township trustee for many years and a Claussen Drainage District trustee as well.

Elwood took much delight in his family, and they will miss him greatly.

Surviving are his wife, Anna Marie Miedema of St. Anne; two daughters, Sue (Jeff) Smith of Bourbonnais, Jane (Steve) Smith of Centerville, Ohio; four grandchildren, Stacy (James) Vlahakis, Scott (Jenny) Smith, Kate Smith, and Jake Smith; three great-grandchildren, Evan, Ian, and Matthew; three brothers and three sisters-in-law, Ken (Shirley) Miedema, Beryl (Pam) Knisley, Robert (Jill) Knisley; one brother-in-law & sister-in-law, Neal (Corinne) Tallman; and several nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents.

Visitation will be held 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, October 4, 2017 at Clancy-Gernon-Houk Funeral Home in St. Anne.

Visitation will also be held from 10:00 a.m. until the 11:00 a.m. funeral service on Thursday, October 5, 2017 at the First Reformed Church of Wichert.

Rev. Randy Knoll will officiate the service.

Interment will follow at Oakwood Cemetery in Wichert.

Memorials may be made to the First Reformed Church of Wichert or Youth for Christ.

Cemetery Details

Oakwood Cemetery

7697 E. 4500 S. Rd.
Wichert
St. Anne, IL 60964

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 4. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

St. Anne - Clancy-Gernon-Houk Funeral Home
214 W. Sheffield
St. Anne, IL 60964
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Visitation

OCT 5. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

First Reformed Church of Wichert
St. Anne, IL

Funeral Service

OCT 5. 11:00 AM (CT)

First Reformed Church of Wichert
St. Anne, IL

Tribute Wall

BA

“ After my Dad passed away 34 years ago, Uncle Elwood looked out for our family--partnering with my Mom in her farm business, clearing the snow from her driveway, advising us on house repairs, stopping by in his red pickup truck on his way home from the warehouse.

We celebrated many family birthdays and holidays together, with lots of visits in-between. We miss him!

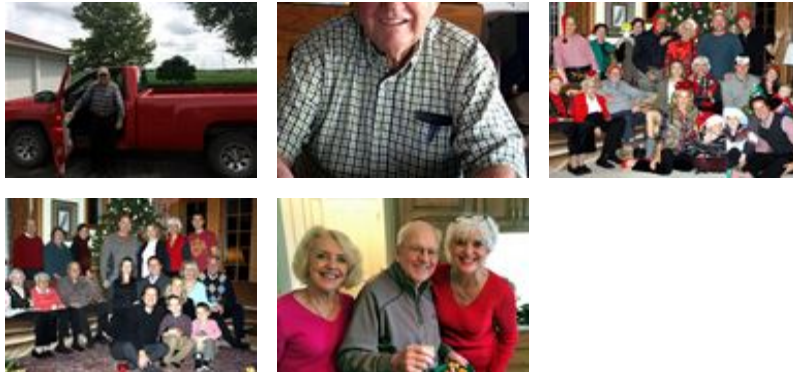
Much love to Aunt Anna Marie and all our family. Our hearts and prayers are with you.

Bonnie and Walter

Bonnie Aebi - October 05, 2017 at 01:22 PM



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Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes - October 04, 2017 at 09:42 AM

BM

“ *I'm sending my love and deepest condolences to the family.*

Barbara Miedema - October 03, 2017 at 07:06 PM

JS

“ *Please except our deepest sympathy and Prayers for your loss.
Judy, Sydney and Hannah Smith*

Judy Smith - October 03, 2017 at 10:53 AM

TN

Prayers for comfort to Judy and the Miedema family. It 's been 57 years since Elwood would drop flowers and produce off at the stand for me to sell. He and Jennie were my first bosses. Great family and distant cuz. Tom Nelson and the Nelson family

Tom Nelson - October 03, 2017 at 12:34 PM

PW

I send my deepest sympathy and love to the Miedema family. So sorry for your loss.

Perry Walsh - October 04, 2017 at 03:42 PM

LT

I'm sorry for your loss. God bless the entire family! Lyle Turro

Lyle Turro - October 05, 2017 at 12:05 PM

PD

Pat and I send our sincere and deepest sympathy to a very special family in our lives. While pastoring at the First Reformed Church of Wichert (1972-1977), we were immensely blessed by the friendship of Elwood and Anna Marie and their many acts of kindness and support. Keeping you uplifted in prayer. Love, Pete and Pat Van Dyke

Peter Van Dyke - October 05, 2017 at 02:59 PM