



## Bernard Charles Wallace

October 27, 1936 - August 24, 2009

Bernard was born on October 27, 1936, in Warren County, Iowa, to Paul and Anna (Dittmer) Wallace. Bernard attended and graduated from Lacona High School.

After high school Bernard worked for the Wilkinson Coal Company for a short time before joining the Ford Company of Des Moines. He worked for Ford until the company moved out east and he began to work for Eagle Iron Works; as an over the road truck driver for many years. Bernard retired in 2001 working assembly at Eagle Iron Works.

Bernard married Carolyn Hoch on April 20, 1963. They were married for 46 years and blessed with three children, Kevin and Jeff Wallace, and Bernadine Hemmingson.

Bernard and Carolyn enjoyed sprint car racing. Bernard was named "fan of the year" at the Knoxville Raceway in 1992. Bernard and Carolyn traveled to many different sprint car tracks to watch racing. His favorite racer is Skip Jackson. He also enjoyed NASCAR, an avid western book reader and movie buff. A few of Bernard special enjoyments were his grandchildren, watching the Price is Right, the Wheel of Fortune, and also coffee with his friends in the morning and afternoon.

Bernard passed away on Monday, August 24, 2009, at the Hospice Comfort House in Pella at the age of 72 years, 9 months, and 27 days.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Paul and Anna Wallace; two sisters, Janice Wadle and Marilyn Dittmer; and two brothers, Dennis Wallace and

Keith Wallace.

Those left to honor his memory include his wife, Carolyn Wallace of Knoxville; his children, Kevin Wallace of Star Prairie, WI, Jeff and Sharon Wallace of Knoxville, and Bernadine and Chuck Hemmingson of West Des Moines; and 11 grandchildren, Jessica, Nicole, Andrew, Jenna, and Nicholas Wallace, Taylor and Mason Bowes, Carli and Trey Hemmingson, Shane and Ryan Sweitzer. Bernard is also survived by three sisters, Clarice and Raymond Chambers, Charlotte and Franklin Dittmer, and Marylee and Dean Hoch; one brother, Melvin and Norma Wallace; and many nieces and nephews.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Bernard Charles Wallace*

January 30, 2023 at 05:06 AM



“ *Bernard Charles Wallace*

January 30, 2023 at 02:53 AM



“ *I JUST NOW LEARNED OF YOUR LOST, I JUST CAN'T BELIEVE IT. JUST REMEMBERING OUR TIMES, WHEN JUST STARTING OUT WITH OUR LITTLE KIDS, ON LARSON ST. I KNOW GOD IS TAKING GOOD CARE OF HIM AND HELPING YOU PASS THIS TIME. YOU ARE IN MY PRAYERS.*

**MARY CHAMBERS MITTERER** - January 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Carolyn - I am so sorry to hear of Bernard's passing. My prayers are with you, Kevin, Jeff, and Bernadine. Though it's been many years, I still remember coming next door to your house and Bernard letting me climb up into the semi. I have very fond memories of all of you and that time.*

*My deepest sympathy,  
Shelley (Sirek) Johnson*

**Shelley (Sirek) Johnson** - September 04, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Carolyn, my thoughts and prayers are with you. It is a tough time for you. Bernard will be missed.

*Jenny Hutton*

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**Jenny Hutton** - August 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Carolyn, My heart goes out to you and your family at this sad time. Bernie was a great guy! We had many good racing years together, who would have ever thought that Richard and Bernie would be off in heaven together just six months apart. They're probably catching up on old times and telling big racing stories. You're in my thoughts and prayers. Joyce

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**Joyce Hancock** - August 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ Bernie,

*We are sorry to hear about your dad. Our thoughts are with you and your family.*

*Andy & Kelly Shives*

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**Andy & Kelly Shives** - August 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

GW

“ Carolyn-

*So sorry to hear of your loss. You and Bernard had many great years together. Know that you and your family are in our thoughts & prayers.*

*Glen & Linda Vander Werf*

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**Glen & Linda Vander Werf** - August 26, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts are with you and your family.*

*God Speed Bernard*

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**Rob Sirfus** - August 26, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KJ

“ *Bernie was a good neighbor. Our prayers are with his family.*

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**Ken Howard Jr.** - August 26, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SE

“ *Carolyn we are sorry for your loss. Know that you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. Bernard will be missed by all that knew him.*

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**Steve and Wendy Vander Ecken** - August 26, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LJ

“ We want to send condolences your way at this time of loss, and let you know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.

*Larry & Monica Johnson*

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**Larry & Monica Johnson** - August 25, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SA

“ Sending you my condolences. I'm so sorry for your loss. Bernard was a good guy. Growing up in the neighborhood with the kids, I'd really like to be there for the funeral. Unfortunately, I'm living five & half hours away from Knoxville now and won't be able to make it with a kid in school. My thoughts and prayers will be with you. Bernard will be missed!!

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**Shonna Anderson-Terrell** - August 25, 2009 at 12:00 AM