



## Phillip "Phil" Lee Yenger

February 6, 1942 - August 2, 2020

Phillip "Phil" Lee Yenger, age 78, of Albia, passed away on Sunday, August 1, 2020, at Unity Point Health-Iowa Methodist Medical Center in Des Moines, IA.

Phil was born on February 6, 1942, to Russell Joseph and Linnie Pearl (McMulin) Yenger near Blakesburg, IA. He grew up and attended school in Albia, graduating with the Class of 1960. On May 19, 1963, he was united in marriage to Shirley Jones at the EUB Church in Lovilia, IA. To this union, 3 daughters were born, Kelly Marie, Kimberly Sue, and Jodi Lynn. Phil and Shirley shared 57 years of marriage prior to his passing.

Phil worked at Kness Manufacturing in Albia for 35 years before retiring in 2004. He was a "jack of all trades" there working in different areas including maintenance and assembly.

Phil was a member of the Woodworking Club as well as the Southern Iowa Vintage Tractor Club. In his younger years, he enjoyed playing the guitar and singing. He was a very talented woodworker, preferring to work with oak and walnut. He made cedar chests for his daughters, quilt racks, and candlesticks. Phil loved antique tractors, especially his John Deere H. He enjoyed being outdoors, fishing, mushroom hunting, and arrowhead hunting. He also enjoyed John Wayne westerns and watching Nascar. Above all else, Phil's family was everything to him and he cherished the time he spent with his

family and friends.

Phil is survived by his wife, Shirley Yenger; 3 daughters, Kelly (Paul Rainey) Yenger, Kimberly (Steve) Hollinrake, Jodi (Randy) Dorage; 3 grandsons, Garrett Joseph (Danielle) Hollinrake, Dylan Luther Dorage, and Phillip Michael Dorage; 2 great grandchildren, Sophia Ann Hollinrake and Kipton Joseph Hollinrake; a brother, Glenn (Jenni) Yenger; and a brother-in-law, Dale Sullivan. Phil is also survived by many nieces, nephews, cousins, and good friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Russell and Linnie; a granddaughter, Gabrielle Hollinrake; 2 sisters, Jeane (Donald) Billings and Doris Sullivan; and 2 brothers, John (Ruth) Yenger and Frank (Marilyn) Yenger.

Visitation will be held from 2:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 5, 2020, at the Tharp Funeral Home in Albia, with Phil's family present from 5:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. to greet family and friends.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, August 6, 2020, at the Tharp Funeral Home in Albia, with Tom Williamson officiating. Burial will follow services in Oak View Cemetery in Albia.

In lieu of flowers, an open memorial has been established to the family to be determined at a later date.

# Cemetery Details

## Oak View Cemetery

Albia, IA 52531

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**AUG 5.** 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Tharp Funeral Home  
116 Benton Ave.  
Albia, IA 52531  
(641) 932-3129  
<https://www.tharpfh.com/>

## Funeral Service

**AUG 6.** 10:30 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Phillip "Phil" Lee Yenger

January 30, 2023 at 05:06 AM



“ Phillip "Phil" Lee Yenger

January 30, 2023 at 02:53 AM



“ Jodi, Kim, and Kelly we are so sorry for your loss. Your dad was a great guy and he will be missed. My prayers are for all of you! Love from Tory and Eva Spiess

Eva Spiess - August 06, 2020 at 11:31 PM



“ Dan Deutschman lit a candle in memory of Phillip "Phil" Lee Yenger



Dan Deutschman - August 06, 2020 at 02:23 PM



“ Kim, Steve and family,  
I am so sorry. My prayerful thoughts have been with all of you this week.  
May God grant you peace and fill your hearts with precious memories during this time of grieving.

Susan Leedom - August 05, 2020 at 04:39 PM

JP

“ *another great member of the class of 60 missing. a true friend. may god rest his soul. john popson*

john popson - August 05, 2020 at 04:02 PM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss, I always enjoyed talking to you guys when you came into the library. You are in my Prayers*

Ruth James - August 05, 2020 at 03:41 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Phillip "Phil" Lee Yenger.*



August 05, 2020 at 02:50 PM

TF

“ *The Tom Noble Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Phillip "Phil" Lee Yenger.*



The Tom Noble Family - August 05, 2020 at 01:37 PM

VF

“ *Velma (Reed) Furlin lit a candle in memory of Phillip "Phil" Lee Yenger*



Velma (Reed) Furlin - August 05, 2020 at 08:12 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Phillip "Phil" Lee Yenger.*



August 05, 2020 at 07:54 AM

MW

“ *Deepest condolences to the family for your loss.*



Marcy (Durian) Wegerer - August 04, 2020 at 07:48 PM

JH

“ *Phil was a wonderful family-loving guy. He always joked about being short. He said "He was the same height standing up as he was sitting down." My sympathy to Shirley and the girls among them my daughter-in-law Kim. She is a wonderful wife to Steve and his family and he she has given us Garrett and two wonderful great grand kids, Sophia and Kipton. May god bless him.*

Jean Hollinrake - August 04, 2020 at 05:47 PM

MM

“ I cant believe my good friend for school has passed away.I always enjoyed our visits and seeing you both . Great time teasing each other. May God bless you and your family, Prayers for you all.

Mary Jo O'Brien Mitterer

Mary J Mitterer - August 04, 2020 at 03:57 PM

JG

“ So sorry to hear of Phil's passing. He was a great guy, and one of my fun classmates in the class of 1960. Cherish the memories and my thoughts are with you.

Johneta Goodwin - August 04, 2020 at 01:37 PM

BV

“ Brian And Martina Vance lit a candle in memory of Phillip "Phil" Lee Yenger



Brian and Martina Vance - August 04, 2020 at 01:34 PM

CG

“ Cheryl Gray lit a candle in memory of Phillip "Phil" Lee Yenger



Cheryl Gray - August 04, 2020 at 06:22 AM

CS

“ I am so sorry to see that Phil passed away. He was truly one of the good guys. Always had such a warm friendly smile and enjoyed getting to visit with Phil and Shirley. What a terrible loss.

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**Carol Stewart** - August 04, 2020 at 01:02 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Phillip "Phil" Lee Yenger.



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August 03, 2020 at 10:37 PM

SB

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. Phil was such a great guy....always kind and friendly.....enjoyed listening to him sing with his guitar.

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**Sheryl Bernard Briggs** - August 03, 2020 at 08:10 PM

JW

“ So sorry for your loss. Enjoyed visiting with Phil when he walked at the hospital. Great man.

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**Joyce Williams** - August 03, 2020 at 06:31 PM

DS

“ It is with extreme sorrow that we received the notice of Phil;s passing. Our families have been friends for at least 60 years. We extend our deep and heart-felt condolences to Shirley, the girls, and the entire Yenger family. May God keep and comfort you all in the coming days.

*Phil was a good and delightful man and one of my father's truest and longest friends. I'm confident he was one of the first to welcome Phil to Heaven. I hope they both have their guitars and are singing folk (Kingston Trio) music to their heart's content,*

*Our thoughts and prayers are with you*

*Darrell Spain*

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**Darrell Spain** - August 03, 2020 at 06:10 PM

LW

“ Larry and I are so sorry for your loss. We loved to see him come around the block on his John Deere H tractor. Sending prayers to you Shirley and your family, take care.

*Larry & Phyllis Whitson*

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**Larry & Phyllis Whitson** - August 03, 2020 at 04:36 PM

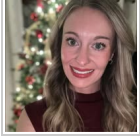
NC

“ I am so sorry for your loss of Phil. You all are in my thoughts and prayers.

*Nellie Coltrain*

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**Nellie Coltrain** - August 03, 2020 at 04:18 PM



“ Shirley, Kim, Steve & family,  
My thoughts and prayers are with you all. I'm so sorry for your loss.  
Laura Shepherd

Laura Shepherd - August 03, 2020 at 03:38 PM

SC

“ Phil was like another dad to me. He always took the best of care of his family and always let them know that they are loved. He amazed me with his many skills, including his wood working. He is greatly missed! Michelle (Steve and Audrey Chambers)

Steve, Michelle and Audrey Chambers - August 03, 2020 at 03:17 PM

SC

“ Steve, Michelle And Audrey Chambers lit a candle in memory of Phillip "Phil" Lee Yenger



Steve, Michelle and Audrey Chambers - August 03, 2020 at 03:13 PM

CS

“ our thoughts and Prayers go out to all the family

cindy schippers - August 03, 2020 at 03:04 PM

JF

“ Shirley, Kim, Steve, and Family- Our thoughts and prayers continue to be with you. We are so very sorry for your loss.

Jeremy & Jill DeMoss & Family - August 03, 2020 at 03:00 PM



“ *A tragic loss and way too soon, Phil was a very nice man. Prayers to his entire family.* ”

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**Darwin Thomas** - August 03, 2020 at 02:07 PM