



Frank Thorp

April 21, 1929 - June 29, 2023

EVANSDALE – Frank Eugene Thorp, 94, died Thursday, June 29, 2023, at MercyOne Waterloo Medical Center.

He was born on April 21, 1929, in Davenport, the son of Francis and Esther (LaGrange) Thorp. He was raised by his mother and stepfather, Ted Rutledge. He attended Tama Schools before enlisting in the Army during World War II. On December 30, 1957, he was united in marriage to Betty Renaud in Tama. He was employed at the processing plant at Rath Packing Company for 35 years before his retirement in 1984.

Frank is survived by his wife, Betty; children, Dennis (Suzanne Eades) Thorp of Storm Lake, Brenda (Lewis) Hill of Waterloo, Randy (Laura Holmes) Thorp of Maynard, and Sandi (Jim) McCann of Waterloo; seventeen grandchildren, twenty great-grandchildren, one great-great-grandchild; and one brother, Homer (Barb) Rutledge of Thorndale, TX.

He was preceded in death by his siblings, Ronnie, Carl, Teddy, Dorothy, Florence, and Ellen in infancy; and grandsons, Dylan, James, and Jordan; and great-grandson, Marco.

Graveside services will be 11:00 a.m. Monday, July 3, 2023, at Oak Hill Cemetery in Tama. Visitation 3-6 p.m. Sunday at Richardson Funeral Service

in Cedar Falls.

Memorials may be directed to the family to be designated at a later date. A special thanks to the staff at MercyOne Waterloo and hospice.

Cemetery Details

Oak Hill Cemetery

1601 E 9th St.
Tama, IA 52339

Previous Events

Gathering of Family and Friends

JUL 2. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Richardson Funeral Service
615 Main Street
Cedar Falls, IA 50613
(319) 266-3525
richardsonfuneralservice@gmail.com
<http://richardson.funeralplan2.com>

Graveside Service

JUL 3. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tama, IA 52339

Tribute Wall



“ *I'm sorry for your loss
Frank is and was a great friend
I enjoy the stories and talks we shared at st Vincent de Paul in
cedar falls Iowa.*

Christina mesenbrink - November 20, 2023 at 06:39 PM



“ *Memories - Peaceful Reflections Marker was
purchased for the family of Frank Thorp.*



July 01, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *A [Memorial
Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Frank Thorp.*

July 01, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Sending hugs, prayers to all, May God Bless you all with peace and
comfort.... Pat Mauch*

pat mauch - July 01, 2023 at 11:38 AM



“ *I will always cherrish the memories from fishing with Frank.
Rest In peace "Potlicker"*

Luke Purk - June 30, 2023 at 07:13 PM

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“ I have so many fond memories of Frank. However, a couple have been engraved in my mind since I was a little girl. I recall being at their house when Frank had a large amount of peppers on the table. Little ones, and so pretty. He offered one and then proceeded to laugh when I couldn't get it out of my mouth fast enough. To my amazement he popped one in his mouth and ate it like it was candy. To this day I marvel that he could eat those without spitting fire like a true dragon. Another fond memory growing up with Frank and his fishing buddy (my Dad). He always had a baseball hat on. It was like a an appendage that could reach out and smack you like a Ninja's numchucks at any time. Bam!!
Out of no where, he'd get you. Needless to say.. I tried my best to stay as far away as possible. Especially if he had a bad day at fishing. All in all.. Frank was a very good man and a dear friend of our family. Frank... You will be missed. Hope you have good fishing days up in heaven.

Tammy Peverill - June 30, 2023 at 06:10 PM

TC

“ My Uncle Frank is the reason I like to fish he's the one who taught me how but unfortunately I never caught on to his knack for filleting them that was one thing Uncle Frank could do that I could not do I was rather jealous, he would always share his big fishing stories with me I loved him as my own father when I was younger I spent as much time with them as I could and when he would stop at my parents house to visit my mom and dad my mom would let me know they where there and I would always take the opportunity to stop and see him and my Aunt Betty she was my second mom, he will always be forever loved and missed fly high uncle Frank keep catching the big ones in heaven much love to my family 🍷🍷

Trisha Kroeger Catron - June 30, 2023 at 04:57 PM