



Melvin Reimer

April 11, 1926 - August 18, 2022

Melvin Milton Reimer, 96, of Cedar Falls, died Thursday, August 18, 2022, at Western Home Communities – Nation Cottage.

He was born on April 11, 1926, in Clayton County, Iowa, the son of Herman and Marie (Kuehl) Reimer. On January 31, 1948, he was united in marriage to Viola Barth at the United Church of Christ in Latimer, IA. She preceded him in death on April 22, 2019. Mel attended Iowa State Teachers College before serving in the United States Army Air Corps during World War II. He later worked for Mueller's Furniture for 43 years, retiring from there in 1990.

Mel enjoyed woodworking, UNI Panther athletics, attending his grandchildren's school events, driving leisurely through Northeast Iowa, vacationing with family and friends, and telling stories to anyone that would listen. He was an active member of several clubs, including Elks Club, AMVETS Post #49 Lifetime Member, Panther Athletic Club, American Society of Interior Designers (ASID), and served as an Elder on many church committees.

Mel is survived by his son, Dennis (Janet) Reimer of Cedar Falls; son-in-law, Mike Butler of Waverly; five grandchildren: Joshua (Becky) Butler, Jon (Miranda) Butler, Jenny Butler, Kristy (Sam Whitaker) Reimer, and Laurie (Shaun Clark) Reimer; and nine great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, wife, daughter, JoAnn Butler; three brothers: Orville, Haldon, and Clarence Reimer; and two sisters, Laurine Larson and Catherine Larson.

A memorial service will be 11:00 a.m. Monday, August 22, 2022, at First Presbyterian Church in Cedar Falls. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service. Inurnment will be at Fairview Cemetery in Cedar Falls. Full Military Honors provided by the Iowa Army National Guard and the Cedar Falls AMVETS Post #49.

Memorials may be directed to First Presbyterian Church, the Melvin and Viola Reimer Endowed Scholarship-University of Northern Iowa, or the Panther Scholarship Club.

Cemetery Details

Fairview Cemetery

12th and Division Streets
Cedar Falls, IA 50613
(319) 273-8628

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 22. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

First Presbyterian Church
902 Main Street
Cedar Falls, IA 50613
(319) 277-3930
<http://www.firstprescf.org/>

Memorial Service

AUG 22. 11:00 AM (CT)

First Presbyterian Church
1204 13th Street
Dallas Center, IA 50063

Tribute Wall

CM

“ *I'm sorry to hear about the passing of Melvin
He will be truly missed*

Christina mesenbrink - May 25, 2024 at 10:31 AM

SG

“ *I met Melvin just a couple of years ago when I would go to see my
aunt in the Deery Suites. (I had known Vi for years through P.E.O.
so it was easy for the two of us to strike up a conversation.) Melvin
was so kind and so appreciative whenever I stopped by.*

Sue Green - August 23, 2022 at 10:24 PM

JT

“ *Mel and my dad were best of friends in Elkader. And that friendship
carried thru into their 90's. The experiences they had and shared,
the stories they told! Mel and Vi even played a part in my mom and
dad getting together. Mel was always smiling and full of fun. We are
blessed to have known him. Rest in peace!*

Jane Thein - August 22, 2022 at 11:49 AM

JO

“ *Mel and Vi had their hands full trying to keep the seven of us that
sat in front of them at the Women's Basketball games at the
McLeod Center in control. Loved seeing them at all the UNI games
and always had a story to tell. We miss seeing them, but will always
enjoy their memory.*

Jerry and Jan Oberheu - August 20, 2022 at 04:43 PM

JB

“ *I first meant Mel when he was with Muellers. My mother was doing a little decorating at our home on South Hill Drive in Waterloo. Many years later with enjoyed being Panther football supporters. Rest in peace our friend!*

John and Mary Kay Gallagher Beecher - August 20, 2022 at 03:25 PM

GW

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Grant Whitaker - August 20, 2022 at 03:24 PM

NH

“ *Mel and Vi were two of UNI's biggest supporters. We shared many fun Panther times together. Mel, as was Vi, dear friends.*

noreen hermansen - August 19, 2022 at 08:14 PM

MS

“ *Mel and Vi were very special people. We always enjoyed our times when Mel and Cliff Satre would come to our farm. Great memories!*
Doug and Marnie Stewart

Marnie Stewart - August 19, 2022 at 05:25 PM