

Ray Mittelstadt, age 94, of Storm Lake, Iowa died Friday, November 30, 2018 at the Buena Vista Regional Medical Center in Storm Lake.

Raymond Harold Mittelstadt was born August 19, 1924 in Storm Lake, Iowa the son of Franklin F. and Alma (Meyer) Mittelstadt. As an infant, he was baptized at the St. John Lutheran Church in Storm Lake where he was later confirmed.

Growing up, he attended school in Storm Lake where he graduated from Storm Lake High School in 1942 as the class president.

Following high school graduation, Ray enlisted in the United States Army on April 13, 1943. He was a heavy artillery instructor and a glider pilot trainer. He proudly served his country during World War II until he was honorably discharged on February 7, 1946.

Upon returning home, Ray attended Iowa State University where he graduated with a degree in Engineering in 1949. He was employed by Iowa-Illinois Gas & Electric Co. in various positions in Fort Dodge and Davenport, Iowa, including gas distribution engineer, superintendent of gas service and superintendent of customer service. He retired in 1987 after more than 37 years and the family moved to his hometown Storm Lake.

On July 6, 1952, Ray was united in marriage to Marilyn Tunwall at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Fort Dodge, Iowa. Together, they were blessed with three children: Mark, Sara, and Chad.

Ray was an active member of St. John Lutheran Church in Storm Lake. He belonged to the Fort Dodge Men's Civic Glee Club and Quartet which once performed at Kennedy Center. Ray was a Sertoma President; Camp Fire Girls area Board Member; Central Iowa Chapter of Archaeology; Chamber of Commerce and Buena Vista County Historical Society President.

In his spare time, he enjoyed wood carving and working with stained glass. Ray thoroughly loved the outdoors especially fishing, canoeing, sail boating and ice boating. He also enjoyed archaeology. Ray was known to volunteer his time throughout his community. Family was important to Ray and he will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

Those left to cherish his memory include his wife, Marilyn Mittelstadt of Storm Lake, Iowa; children: Mark (Mary) Mittelstadt of Tucson, Arizona; Sara (Curt) Messerly of Fort Dodge, Iowa; Chad (Julie) Mittelstadt of Cedar Rapids, Iowa; grandchildren: Matthew Mittelstadt of Tucson, Arizona; Brent Mittelstadt of Oxford, England; Kyle (Kate) Messerly of Eau Claire, Wisconsin; Sophia, Nicholas and Ella Mittelstadt of Cedar Rapids, Iowa; sister, Doris Gutz of Chandler, Arizona; many nieces and nephews; cousins; extended family and many friends.

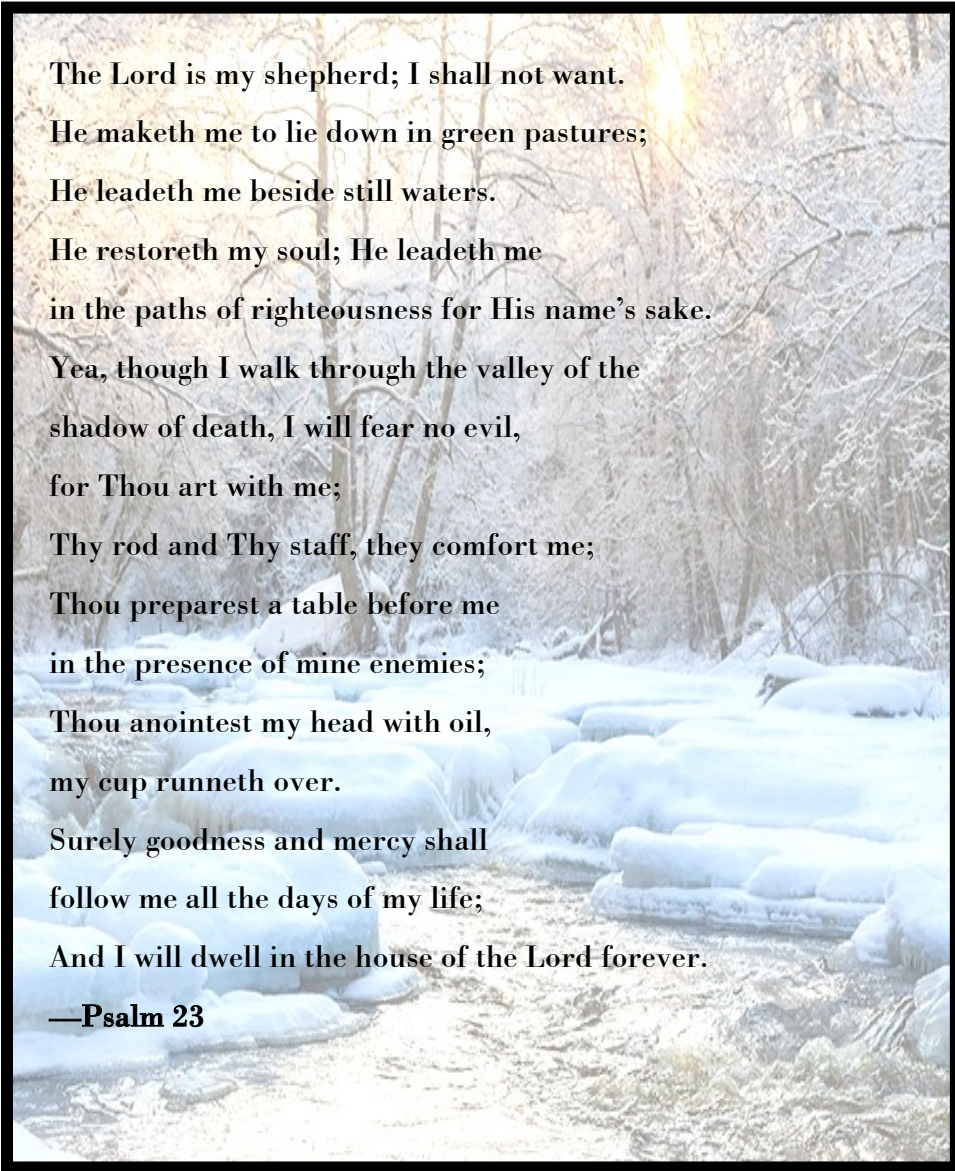
Ray was preceded in death by his parents; brothers: Walter Mittelstadt and Franklin Mittelstadt; sisters: Irma Peet; Helen Larsen; Alice Schuelke; Lucile Evans; and Dorothy Langhans.

In Loving Memory



Raymond Harold Mittelstadt

1924 — 2018



The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures;
He leadeth me beside still waters.
He restoreth my soul; He leadeth me
in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the
shadow of death, I will fear no evil,
for Thou art with me;
Thy rod and Thy staff, they comfort me;
Thou preparest a table before me
in the presence of mine enemies;
Thou anointest my head with oil,
my cup runneth over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall
follow me all the days of my life;
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.
—Psalm 23

We wish to express our sincere gratitude for the many kindnesses evidenced in thought and deed, and for your attendance at this service. You are invited to join us for lunch and a time of fellowship at the church immediately following the service.

— The Family of Raymond H. Mittelstadt

IN MEMORY OF

Raymond Harold Mittelstadt

August 19, 1924 — November 30, 2018

FUNERAL SERVICES

Tuesday, December 4, 2018 at 10:30 a.m.
St. John Lutheran Church — Storm Lake, Iowa

CLERGY

Pastor Bruce Lesemann

ORGANIST

Scott Schuelke (Nephew)

CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS

“I’m But A Stranger Here”
“How Great Thou Art”

SPECIAL MUSIC

St. John Lutheran Choir

CASKET BEARERS

Matthew Mittelstadt, Brent Mittelstadt, Kyle Messerly
Nicholas Mittelstadt, Jason Schuelke, Shawn Mittelstadt

INTERMENT

North Lawn Cemetery
Fort Dodge, Iowa

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