Wanda Eaglen Greenfield

Wanda Ann Eaglen was born Feb. 17, 1958, in Des Moines, the daughter of Edward and Barbara May (Sandelin) Swackhammer. She passed away Wednesday, Sept. 17, 2025, at the Adair County Memorial Hospital in Greenfield, at the age of 67.

Celebration of Life services were 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, 2025, at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Greenfield. Rev. Dr. Keith Schweitzer officiated the service. A luncheon

Gale Nielsen

of Charles City



followed the service at the

line condolences may be left to the fami- \overline{Eaglen} ly at to be www.lambfuneralhomes. com. Memorials may be directed to the Wanda Ea-

established by the family. Wanda grew up in Des

glen Memorial Fund to be

Moines, attending Lincoln High School. After high school, she worked at a bank as a fraud ana-

death by her parents and her best friend, Jean Mill-

husband, George Eaglen, Jr. of Greenfield; son, George Eaglen III (Shelby Werts) of Stuart; two Havden grandchildren, and Nevaeh Eaglen; three grandchildren, Brooklynn Baudler, Briarlynn Renslow and Boone Renslow; sister Julie Tullev and husband Robert of Yuma, Arizona; two brothers, Edward (Dutch) Swackhammer of Jackson Hole, Wyoming, and Danny (Tara) Swackhammer of Des Moines; other relatives and friends.

lyst. On Dec. 31, 2000, she was united in marriage to George Eaglen, Jr. in Des Moines. She was a member of the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Greenfield. She enjoyed fishing, going to the races, casinos and being with her family and friends — especially her son and grandchildren. She was preceded in

She is survived by her

steady hands and eye for detail.

Howard Niel-Gale sen, 84, of Charles City, formerly of Greenfield, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, Sept. 17, 2025, surrounded by those who loved him most.

(formerly of Greenfield)

Gale will be laid to rest at the Fairview Cemetery in rural Adair County at a later date.

Born Jan. 28, 1941, in Greenfield, Gale grew up in Adair County alongside his brother, Keith, in the care of their parents, Hans "Pete" and Grace (Lewis) Nielsen. From an early age, Gale carried a spark of curiosity that would never leave him. After graduating from Greenfield High School in 1959, that spark led him into the United States Air Force, and later into his career as a draftsman, a trade

But Gale was never defined by work alone. He was a tinkerer through and through, happiest when he had something to take apart, polish or fine-tune. Rocks found their way into tumblers, cars and motorcycles into his garage and his beloved "Mellow Yellow" Camaro drag car onto the track. He liked to keep his hands

busy, his mind engaged and his stories flowing, always

told with a touch of Nielsen his quirky humor that kept family and

friends laughing.

The outdoors was another of Gale's sanctuaries. Whether camping under the stars, planting a garden or simply mowing the yard, he found peace in the rhythm of nature. Animals, too, had a special place in his heart, as his dogs and cats were true companions who shared his days.

Gale married Eleanor "Ellie" (Buttjer) Van Hauen June 13, 1999, at West St. Charles Methodist Church. Together, they blended their families and built a home where laughter was easy and love was steady. Family was the center of Gale's world. He was a devoted husband, proud bonus dad and a grandfather who never missed a chance to cheer on his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Whether celebrating their accomplishments or sharing in everyday moments, he delighted in being part of their lives. He always looked forward to the yearly Kirlin reunions

Those who knew Gale will remember his stories,

and time with family.

his warmth and the way he made life more fun just by being himself.

Gale is survived by his wife Ellie; bonus children, Billie (Dawn) Van Hauen Jr., Annette (David) Hadley, Jolene Van Hauen and Tim Van Hauen; 11 grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren; extended family and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Pete and Grace; his brother Keith; and his grandsons, Garrett and Drew.

And while Gale has laid down his tools for the last time, those who loved him know he is already tinkering away on something new, probably with a pocket full of rocks, a car engine to fine-tune and a story on the tip of his tongue.

Hogan-Bremer-Moore Colonial Chapel. 126 3rd St. NE, Mason City, IA 50401. 641-423-2372. Colonial-Chapels.com

James Rigby St. Louis, Missouri

James R. Rigby, born July 14, 1942, passed

away Sept. 13, 2025 at the age of 83.

Full obituary, with funeral arrangements, can be found at www. HughesFA.com

EVENT BRIEFS

Around the World in 26 days

Gary and Kathy Erlandson will speak, sharing a slideshow 9:30-10:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 4 at the Orient Community Library, about their National Geographic Tour around the world.

Hear about how they went around the world in 26 days at this exciting program.

The Orient Community Library is located on the east side of the Orient-Macksburg Community School.

Bob Dylan **Tribute** coming to WCC

"Chrome Horse: The Bob Dvlan Tribute" is a chronological through the career of Bob Dylan. Performed with sincerity, vintage style and engaging in-character presentation. No cheat sheets, no iPads. This is a time-capsule recreation. Mark your calendars for 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3, for this sec-

ond show of WCC's 2025-26 "Locals and Legends" series.

Tickets are \$25 for adults with free admission for students (high school and younger). Tickets are available at warrenculturalcenter. com or at the door.

Fall Fest at the fairgrounds this Sunday

The Adair County Fair Board presents its annual Adair County Fall Fest Sunday, Oct. 5 at the Adair County Fairgrounds in Greenfield.

The event will feature fun for the entire family. Highlights include a silent auction, live music, a painting class, a pumpkin hunt, food trucks and an online auction. There will also be a free-will donation breakfast, vendor show, kidzone, costume contest, hay throwing contest and car/tractor show.

See a full schedule on the Adair County Fall Fest Facebook page.

that suited his sharp mind, Adair First Presbyterian Church

Richard Boatman, pastor 405 5th St. 10:30 a.m. Worship **Good Shepherd**

Lutheran

Church (LCMC) 1107 Broad St., Adair Visit us on Facebook 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship and Sunday School

New Life Baptist Church

Pastor Joshua Farrell 218 Audubon St., Adair Visit us on Facebook or at www.newlifeadair.org 10:30 a.m. church, children's church and nursery

St. John's Catholic Church (Adair)

Rev. Antony Mathew 501 Adair St., Adair 8 a.m. Sunday Mass; p.m. Wednesday Mass

United Methodist Church

401 Cass St. 9 a.m. Worship Sundays

Bridgewater **Bridgewater UMC**

Pastor Karen Patrick 224 N Main St. Sundays: 10 a.m. Church, SS to follow

Trinity Christian Church

Tom McLaren, pastor 110 NW 2nd St.

10 a.m. Worship

Fontanelle **Emmanuel**

Lutheran Church (LCMC)

416 Scott St. 745-2415

Pastor Tim Hummel Visit us at www. fontanellelutheran.org or

on Facebook Sunday, Oct. 5 7:30 a.m. Praise Team

Contemporary Service;

Warmup; 8:30

9:30 a.m. Hospitality; 10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship; 6:30 p.m. **Praise Team Practice**

Tuesday, Oct. 7 9 a.m. Prayer Group Wednesday, Oct. 8 7 a.m. Men's Group; 6-7:30 p.m. GROW and Christian Faith and Life (7th grade and up); 7:45 p.m. Kids for Christ HS

Greenfield

Cornerstone **Fellowship**

Pastor Michael Norby, Youth/Family Ministry Director Josiah

Brown 2158 Highway 92 (west edge of Greenfield)

Visit us at www. welcometocornerstone. org or on Facebook 743-0221

Sunday, Oct. 5 9 a.m. Sunday School for all ages; 10:15-11:30 a.m. Worship Service

Wednesday, Oct. 8 5:15-5:45 p.m. Free Supper for Awana Families at Cornerstone; 6-7:30 p.m. AWANA at Cornerstone; 5:30-7 p.m. Middle School Youth Group at The Gathering Place; 6:30-8 p.m. High

The Gathering Place Gospel Chapel

School Youth Group at

Contact Phil Cannon 401 E Iowa St. 743-2945 Sunday, Oct. 5 9:30 a.m. Lord's Supper; 11 a.m. Family Bible Hour; 6:30 p.m. Praise,

Fellowship and Bible Dis-

cussion

Immanuel Lutheran Church (LCMS)

Rev. Dr. Keith Schweitzer 505 NE Dodge St. For more information, see www.idwlcms.org/ congregations.php

743-2116 8:45 a.m. Divine Service Sundays; 10 a.m. Sunday School and Bible

For information on the Little Lambs Preschool, contact Kristen Walker at

641-745-5155 **Greenfield United**

Methodist Church Pastor Melinda Stonebraker 108 SW 5th St.,

Greenfield

Visit us on Facebook or at www.greenfieldumc.org Phone 641-743-2715 Friday, Oct. 3 9 a.m. Sisters in Christ Saturday, Oct. 4 2:45 p.m. United Methodist Inspire Awards, Des

Moines Sunday, Oct. 5 9 a.m. Worship; 10 a.m.

Fellowship; 10:10 a.m. Sunday School; 11 a.m. Worship; 6 p.m. Middle School and High School Youth

Monday, Oct. 6 1:15 p.m. Communion at Greenfield Rehab Tuesday, Oct. 7 4-5:30 p.m. Food Pan-

Wednesday, Oct. 8: 10:30 a.m. Gathering for God; 12 p.m. NV Min-

INVITATION TO BID

Adair County & Adair County Fair Board

is requesting bids for

concrete foundation and retaining wall

at the Adair County Fairgrounds in Greenfield.

Deadline to bid is October 14, 2025

isterial Alliance; 1:30 p.m. Bible Study at Greenfield Rehab; 6 p.m. Men's Christian Study

St. John's **Catholic Church**

Father Philip Bempong 303 NE Elm St.

Visit us on Facebook

343-7055

Daily masses Fr. Philip. Saturday 4:30-4:50 p.m. reconciliation, 5:15 p.m. mass; Sunday, 8:15 a.m. mass - St. John's

Orient

Plymouth Congregational Church

Rev. Phil Price 301 First St. 9 a.m. worship service and Sunday School.

United Methodist Church

Pastor John Van Nostrand 124 S. Maple St. Visit us on Facebook or at https://www.iaumc.org/ churchdetail/462578 8:45 a.m. worship

Stuart **All Saints Catholic** Church

Rev. Antony Mathew 216 All Saints Dr. Visit us on Facebook or at www.stuartallsaints.

Mass Schedule: Sunday 10 am, Tuesday 5:30 pm, Thursday 10 am (at the Community Care Center), Friday 8:30 am, Saturday 4:30 pm. Confessions on Saturday at

Stuart-Mt. Vernon **United Methodist** Church

Pastor Jenny Knutter 219 NW 2nd St. Visit us on Facebook or at www.umcstuartia.org 515-523-1078 9 a.m. Sunday School; 10

a.m. worship

Rural/Other Hebron United Methodist

3002 270th St., Orient Rev. Gene Hinrichsen Sundays: 9 a.m. Worship; 9:45 Sunday School. **Canby Friends Church**

Richard Boatman, pastor

1590 Fontanelle Rd., Casey Worship 9 a.m.; Sunday school, 10 a.m.

Menlo UMC

Michael Geren, Pastor 305 5th St., Menlo

641-524-4561 Sunday 9 a.m. worship Fairview Church

Pastor Gary Freeland 1706 Stuart Rd., Stuart (corner of 170th St. and

Stuart Rd.) 641-757-9498

Worship 9:30 a.m. **Bethel Baptist Church Stanzel**

3285 Stanzel Dr. (11 miles E of Greenfield just off Highway 92) 9:30 a.m. Sunday School; 10:30 a.m. worship; 6 p.m. Sunday eve-

ning Bible Study **Jefferson Center** Chapel

1290 Quebec Ave., Stuart (corner of 130th St. and Quebec Ave.) a.m. worship;

10:30 a.m. Sunday School



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