

Donald Thayer, age 82, of Storm Lake, Iowa died February 14, 2015 at the Buena Vista Regional Medical Center in Storm Lake.

Donald James Thayer, the son of Orville and Amanda (Rice) Thayer, was born on a farm west of Storm Lake on February 11, 1933. He was baptized and confirmed at the Storm Lake United Methodist Church. Don lived his youth in the Storm Lake vicinity, receiving his education at the Hayes Consolidated Schools and graduating with the Class of 1951. He honorably served his country in the United States Army from 1953 to 1955 during the Korean Conflict.

On October 14, 1956, Don was united in marriage to Phyllis Maxine Obman at the St. John's Lutheran Church in Storm Lake. This union was blessed with five children: Steven, Robert, David, Diane and Judy. Following their marriage, Don farmed with his father. In April of 1957,



Don and Phyllis purchased the farm they are currently residing on and have spent their lifetime together there.

Don's lifelong passion was farming and throughout the years he raised many kinds of livestock along with his grain farming. He enjoyed Jeeps, spending time outdoors, working with his hands, traveling to the western

part of the United States and enjoying the mountains, as well as visiting many historical sites and learning about military history.

Don's life is honored and celebrated by his family which includes his wife of 58 years, Phyllis of Storm Lake, Iowa; children: Steve (Brandi) Thayer of Marathon, Iowa; Robert (Teysa) Thayer of Berthoud, Colorado; David Thayer of Peterson, Iowa; Diane (Kevin) King of Truesdale, Iowa; and Judy (Dan) Reis of Winterset, Iowa; grandchildren: Dawn (Chris) Hiatt, Kim Thayer, Kristin Thayer, Aaron Thayer, Randy Thayer, and Cody (Amy) Cariaga, two great grandchildren: Conner Hiatt and Amelia Cariaga; two sisters: Alice Sievers of Omaha, Nebraska; and Peggy Launderville of Elk River, Minnesota; nieces, nephews, other extended family and friends.

Don was preceded in death by his parents, Orville and Amanda; two grandsons: Jeremy Thayer and Travis McClurg; father-in-law and mother-in-law, John and Lorena Obman; and brother-in-law, Louie Launderville.

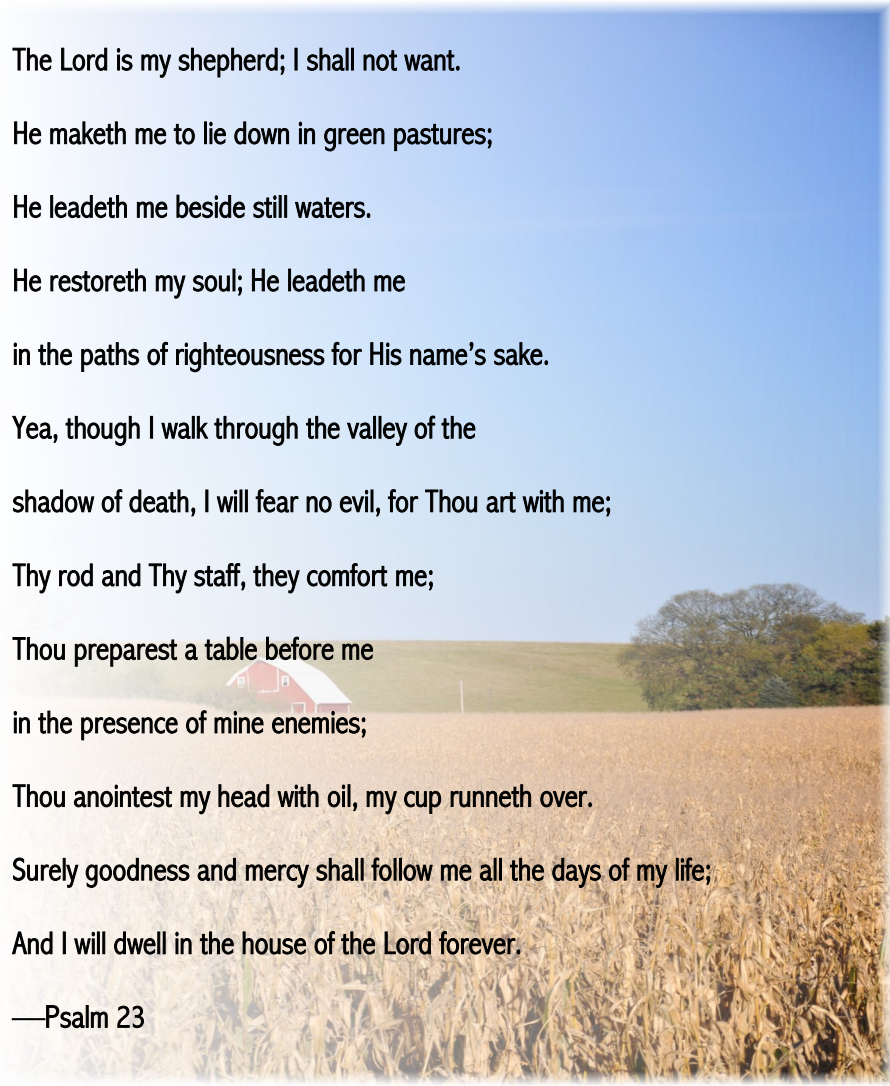
In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given in Don's memory to the UnityPoint Hospice.

In Loving Memory



Donald J. Thayer

1933 — 2015



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 Donald Thayer**

IN MEMORY OF

Donald James Thayer

February 11, 1933 — February 14, 2015

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Wednesday, February 18, 2015 at 11:00 a.m.

Grace Lutheran Church

Storm Lake, Iowa

CLERGY

Reverend Bradley Ketcham

ORGANIST

Eloise Obman

CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS

“The Old Rugged Cross”

“The Lord Is My Shepherd, I Shall Not Want”

“How Great Thou Art”

INTERMENT

At a later date.

Lone Tree Cemetery — Sioux Rapids, Iowa

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