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Dr. Axel Lund



Born: December 07, 1929

Died: August 26, 2004

Services will be held at: 11:00 A.M. on Wednesday, September 1, 2004, at Elim Lutheran Church. Interment will follow services in the Riverside Cemetery in Marshalltown.

Visitation times are: Tuesday from 5:00 to 9:00 P.M. at the Pursel-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory, where the family will be present from 5:00 to 7:00 P.M. Memorials may be directed to the Iowa Rivers Chapter of the American Red Cross.

Axel T. Lund was born on December 7, 1929 in Hetland, South Dakota, the son of Frantz-Oluf and Gudrun (Berntsen) Lund who had recently immigrated from Denmark. He received his early education in schools throughout the country because his father served as a minister to Danish Lutheran Churches in America. He graduated from High School in Brooklyn, New York in 1947. He attended Grand View College in Des Moines

and received his Bachelor of Arts degree in Music from Drake University in Des Moines. He was on the faculty at Grand View College from 1951-52 directing the touring "A Capella Choir" and received his master of Arts Degree in Trumpet from Drake University. He enlisted in the United States Marine Corps during the Korean War. Following his honorable discharge as a First Lieutenant, he taught instrumental and vocal music in the Irwin, Iowa school system. In 1957, he was accepted into the University of Iowa Medical School. He sang in Barbershop quartets during this time and directed the U of I Medical School Men's Choir his senior year. He graduated with a Doctorate of Medicine in 1961 and after residency moved to Ackley, Iowa where he started a medical practice. He also trained as an anesthesiologist and practiced at the Iowa Falls Hospital. He was a co-founder of Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Ackley, served on the Executive Counsel for Scouting and helped found Troop 38 there. A lifelong love of flying culminated when he started the Ackley Flying Club and built the airport, which he later donated to the city. In 1973 he opened a medical clinic in Marshalltown, Iowa, and later satellite clinics in Gladbrook and Gilman. He was one of the first doctors in the state to incorporate the Physician's Assistance Program into his clinics. On April 20, 1974 he was married to Noel (Kenneke) Peterson. The couple has called Marshalltown home their entire married lives. Ted sang with the Marshalltown Barbershop Chorus, was a member at Elim Lutheran Church and a longtime member of Rotary. For many years he enjoyed meeting the public at his restaurant "Axel T's". He truly loved flying and taking fishing trips to Canada with friends. When he retired from active practice in 1995, he and Noel served with the American Red Cross and helped in many national disasters including the 9-11 attack in New York. He loved to travel and together he and Noel visited China, Columbia, Puerto Rico, much of Europe, and family in Denmark and Norway. Axel T. Lund is survived by: wife: Noel Lund of Marshalltown; and his children: Paul (Harriet) Lund of Lakeville, Minnesota, John (Deb) Lund of Forest City, Iowa, Karen (Dan) Gerdes of Warrensburg, Missouri, Andrea (Chuck) Woehlk of Garwin, Iowa; John (Deb) Lund of Marshalltown, Tom Peterson of Colorado Springs, Colorado, Steven (Christina) Peterson of Charlotte, North Carolina, 17 grandchildren, 3 step-grandchildren, a brother: Oluf Lund and partner Rodney Warren of Solvang, California; 2 sisters: Helga (Richard) Karzin, Santa Clarita of California and Ingrid (Richard) Weld of Newman, California, 5 nephews and 2 nieces. He was preceded in death by his parents, and his grandson Ryan Gerdes.