



Darrell Linn Adams

June 19, 1933 - February 5, 2025

Darrell Linn Adams, age 91, long-time Iowa Falls business owner, was born on June 19, 1933 to Leo and Beulah (Simpson) Adams. He passed away on February 5, 2025 at Hansen Family Hospital in Iowa Falls. His life will be celebrated with a visitation on Monday, February 10th, 2025 from 5:00 to 7:00 PM at the First United Methodist Church in Iowa Falls. The funeral service will be held on Tuesday, February 11th, at 11:00 AM at the church, with visitation one hour prior to the service. Darrell will be laid to rest next to his beloved wife at the Union Cemetery in Iowa Falls. In lieu of flowers, those planning an expression of sympathy may wish to consider memorial donations to the family for memorials to be established in his honor. Woodley Funeral Home of Iowa Falls is caring for Darrell and his family.

Darrell grew up in the Iowa Falls area and attended country schools, graduating from Iowa Falls High School in 1951. He was active in wrestling and was honored with the 1951 Athletic Achievement Award.

He served in the U.S. Army for two years, primarily stationed at Ft. Belvoir, Virginia, where he worked as a Demolition Specialist. Darrell was also assigned to Special Services as a boxer and was proud of his undefeated record, including a victory over Walter Winfrey, the All-Air Force Champion.

After returning from the service, Darrell worked for Ralston Purina in Iowa

Falls for 20.5 years as a Production Foreman. In 1960, he and his brother, Darwin, founded Adams Brothers Auction House in Iowa Falls. The brothers expanded the business to include new furniture and real estate. The business was originally located on East Rocksylvania Avenue until it was destroyed by a fire in 1992. The business moved downtown and has remained there ever since. Darrell continued to own and operate Adams Brothers for 65 years until his death.

Darrell married YuKona (LaVelle) in 1957, and together they celebrated 62 years of marriage until YuKona's passing in 2020. They raised five children together. Darrell and family spent many weekends at horse shows racing poles and barrels. Darrell was an avid wrestling fan and supporter of the Iowa Falls Cadets and Independence Mustangs Wrestling programs. Darrell was a faithful and active member of the First United Methodist Church and enjoyed attending church and his Sunday School class each week. He was a member of the American Legion for over 50 years and served on the Board of Directors of Timberview Housing. Most of all, Darrell was a proud East Sider and a spirited advocate for Iowa Falls.

Survivors include his five children, Linn (Joanne) Adams of Iowa Falls, Bret (Jane) Adams of Independence, Shawn (Judy) Adams of Iowa Falls, Michelle (Corey) Meints of Iowa Falls and Tyler (Shelley) Adams of Des Moines; grandchildren: Amanda (Zac) Hanson, Lauren (Shane Boden) Adams, Hannah (Tom) Brayton, Brianne (John) Schipper, Caitlin Adams, Blaire Garber, Nate (Kali) Adams, Sarah (Wes) Ennis, Chelsea (Peter Marasco) Adams, Ryan Adams, Makenna Meints and Rosemary Adams; fourteen great-grandchildren; his brother, Darwin Adams of Iowa Falls; along with nieces, nephews and many friends. He was preceded in death by his wife, YuKona; his parents and George Jackson.

Cemetery Details

Union Cemetery

Iowa Falls, IA 50126

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 10. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

First United Methodist Church
619 Main Street
Iowa Falls, IA 50126

Service

FEB 11. 11:00 AM (CT)

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619 Main Street
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Tribute Wall

AA

“ We are so saddened to hear late of Darrell’s passing. While we only became acquainted with Darrell and his staff for a few short years, purchasing our furnishings for 2 of our homes; we couldn’t have found a finer businessman and friend. Darrell made it a point to leave all the lives he touched; whether personally or through his business, better off with his gentle words of wisdom, kindness and love. The impact & imprints he leaves behind immeasurable. May God bring your family comfort and peace in knowing you rest now in his kingdom with your beloved wife. Missed, loved and cherished by those who were blessed by your presence. Our deepest and most sincere condolences to family 🙏 Dan & Abby Aastrup

Abby Aastrup - February 13, 2025 at 09:45 AM

JJ

“ Darrell was a true gentleman, never a bad word to say about anyone. He always wanted to know about your family despite what he was going through personally. I will miss our chats

Jeff Jardine - February 10, 2025 at 05:39 PM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Darrell Linn Adams.



February 10, 2025 at 04:10 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Darrell Linn Adams.

February 10, 2025 at 04:10 PM



“ God reached His hand from Heaven to lift Darrell back Home again and the joyous reunion between him and his beloved Yu Kona began Darrell's sweet celebration in Eternity. Darrell was very special to us. The enduring and treasured friendship that the Adams family and the Schuring family shared, started in the late 1960's where horse show competitions served as the catalyst for the bond that would span generations. Frequent social visits followed, as did multiple trips to Adams Brothers Furniture to purchase furnishings for Mike's parent's newly built home in 1970 and subsequently our Pella home (where every room is graced with ABF purchases) as well as our son's Waukee home and our daughter's Clive home. The two families supported each other's milestone moments including Darrell's and Kona's attendance at our 1981 wedding (June 19 - Darrell's birthday). We truly adored Darrell and Kona - an inspirational couple - two principled, hard-working, generous individuals of integrity and grace who loved serving the Lord; prioritized their family and friends; and who were completely devoted to each other. Two months ago, we received our Christmas card from Darrell and were touched by the beauty of his written closing "Love, Yu Kona and Darrell". Mike will forever cherish the many heartfelt and meaningful conversations shared with Darrell (in each other's homes, at a local coffee shop, phone visits, etc.). What a blessing this Beautiful Soul was to countless others. Godspeed, dear Darrell. We love you. Love, Mike and Deb Schuring



Deb Schuring - February 10, 2025 at 12:47 PM

CN

Thinking of you all in this huge loss for your family. What a wonderful man and long life Darrell had! I enjoyed seeing him at church when I'd go with mom and we appreciated his help with her sale items last fall. Kona was very special to mom too. Prayers, sympathy and love!

Cindy Neubauer - February 10, 2025 at 01:04 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Darrell Linn Adams.*



February 09, 2025 at 04:32 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Darrell Linn Adams.

February 07, 2025 at 04:57 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Darrell Linn Adams.*



February 07, 2025 at 04:57 PM

DA

“ *Such a shock to our family. Darrell helped us only last week with buying a lift chair for my mom. A pillar of the community and surrounding area. He will be missed.*
The Ackerman Family

Dawson Ackerman - February 07, 2025 at 02:38 PM

BP

“ It was a privilege to grow up with the Darrell Adams family in the community and then years later when coming back home seeing and talking to him just made things better. So many memories. Old east side auction house (community gathering place for years), horses and rodeos in Jackson Heights, Ralston Purina days, baling hay and so much more. What a life and he did it right.

Bill Pearce - February 06, 2025 at 09:42 PM