



Larry McDowell

July 19, 1932 - January 31, 2021

Larry McDowell, 88, of Iowa Falls, passed away Sunday, January 31, 2021 at his home. Funeral services will be 11:00 AM Friday, February 5, 2021 at the First Presbyterian Church in Ackley. He will be laid to rest at the Steamboat Rock Cemetery. Visitation will be from 10:00 AM until service time on Friday at the church. Masks and social distancing guidelines will be strictly adhered to. Woodley Funeral Home, LLC of Iowa Falls is caring for Larry and his family.

Larry James McDowell was born on July 19, 1932 to Raymond and Grace McDowell in Ackley, Iowa. On August 18, 1953 he was united in marriage to Nancy Jo Moon.

Larry worked for different excavating companies before starting McDowell Excavating in 1960. He was later joined by his three sons and grandson. Larry was very proud of McDowell and Sons Contractors and the clientele he built and served in Hardin and surrounding counties. Larry was on the Ackley State Bank and GNB Holding Company boards. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church of Ackley and served as an elder and trustee.

Larry was an avid Hawkeye fan, enjoyed hunting and fishing, especially at Lake Thunderhead. He took great pride in his farm in Missouri where he built several ponds, stocked them with fish, including white catfish, to be caught by several generations of McDowell's. Larry also enjoyed playing dominos with

his daughters.

Larry McDowell is survived by his wife of sixty- seven years, Nancy McDowell of Iowa Falls, Iowa; his children, Steve (Patsy) McDowell of Ackley, Iowa, Rick (Sue) McDowell of Iowa Falls, Iowa, Jill (Art Thompson) McDowell of Spirit Lake, Iowa, Jim (Deb) McDowell of Steamboat Rock, Iowa and Julie McDowell of West Des Moines, Iowa; grandchildren: Travis (Erin) McDowell, Lacey (Aric) Chvala, Andy McDowell, Molly (Brett) Schipper, Jory (Ally) McDowell, Jess (Andrew) Billerbeck; great-grandchildren: Trey, Bret, Fynlee, Addy, Colson, Calli, Knox, Skylar and Colt. He was preceded in death by his parents and infant son, Joe Dean.

Cemetery Details

Steamboat Rock Cemetery

Steamboat Rock, IA 50672

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 5. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Ackley First Presbyterian Church
1300 4th Ave
Ackley, IA 50601

Service

FEB 5. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

MR

“ *Dear Cousin Larry,
My CPAP machine is being a stinker again. More parts from
Australia, I guess.*

Mary Rameyer - November 10, 2025 at 10:05 AM

MR

“ *McDowell Family,
So many memories it would take a book and Grandma Neva was
always talking about the past. I am so lucky to have Ruven
Jimenez, Jory's father in law as my landlord.*

Mary Rameyer - September 01, 2025 at 05:56 PM

MR

Larry, you would not believe 2025.

Mary Rameyer - November 05, 2025 at 03:39 AM

MF

“ *Mary Rameyer*

Mary Frieden - January 08, 2025 at 01:24 AM

LJ

“ *Julie we are so sorry to hear of the loss of your beloved Father.
Sending our prayers and a big hug to you from Altoona. Jim and
Linda Jones*

Linda jones - February 04, 2021 at 07:18 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Larry McDowell.*



February 04, 2021 at 04:25 PM



“ *Robin Gardner, Nicole Southworth & Derek Halquist purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Larry McDowell.*



Robin Gardner, Nicole Southworth & Derek Halquist -
February 03, 2021 at 01:34 PM



“ *Families of Geri, Edwina and Hoss purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Larry McDowell.*



Families of Geri, Edwina and Hoss - February 03, 2021 at
01:27 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Larry McDowell.*



February 03, 2021 at 12:16 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Larry McDowell.*



February 03, 2021 at 10:50 AM



“ *So sorry for your loss, Prayers for all of the McDowell family.*



Floyd Burton - February 02, 2021 at 08:29 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Larry McDowell.*



February 02, 2021 at 06:17 PM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with the McDowell family at the loss of your husband, father and grandfather, Larry. Chris Hesse Isley*

Christina Isley - February 02, 2021 at 02:17 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Larry McDowell.*



February 01, 2021 at 09:23 PM



“ *Our deepest sympanthy to the family...
Marlyn and Christine Cross*

MarlynCross - February 01, 2021 at 08:16 AM