



## David Kenneth Manning

September 15, 1934 - March 22, 2020

David “Dave” K. Manning, age 85, of Ithaca passed away on Sunday, March 22, 2020, at Gundersen Lutheran Medical Center in La Crosse after a long battle with lung & kidney disease. He was born on September 15, 1934, the son of Ruby Johnson Shetler. In 1950 as an Eagle Scout he attended the Boy Scout Jamboree in Washington D.C. He served his country in the United States Army from 1954- 1956. He married Alma Hissey on August 19, 1955. Dave was an avid farmer in Richland County near Ithaca for over 50 years. He was on many boards such as at Ithaca School Board, D.H.I.A., Holstein Association, PCA, South West Tech., Ash Creek Church and Willow Valley Church Boards. For many years he was a 4H Leader and softball coach. Dave was honored as Richland County OYF. He truly enjoyed farming, playing softball, and bowling and always enjoyed time with his bowling friends especially the fun trips to State Bowling. He loved talking to everyone. He loved watching his sons compete in football, basketball, and wrestling. Most recently he enjoyed his grandchildren and great grandchildren participate in these same sports. He taught his sons, grandkids, and now great grandkids that hard work was good for them and had a great love for all his family.

Survivors include his wife Alma Manning of Ithaca, WI; 4 sons, Ken (Lori) Manning of La Crosse, WI, Rick (Deborah) Manning of Cazenovia, WI, Randy (Heidi) Manning of Ithaca, WI, Terry (Beth) Manning of Green Bay, WI; 13 grandchildren, Jill Manning (friend Jason), Paul (Chelsea) Manning, Tyler

(Lauren) Manning, Chris Neely, Nick Neely, Justin (Nicky) Manning, Sabrina (Bryant) Fargen, Danielle Manning, AJ Manning, Jacob Manning, Lincoln Manning, Brock (Briane) Manning, Noelle Manning; 12 great grandchildren and 2 on the way; 2 sisters-in-law, Mary Lou Collins and Barbara (John) Lloyd both of Iowa; a special friend Russell Keck; many other relatives, neighbors, and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; step brother, Lee Shetler, parents-in-law, Jay & Mabel Hissey; brother-in-law, Bill Hissey; sister-in-law, Ada Mae (Charles) White.

A private family funeral was held at the Clary Memorial Funeral Home with burial in the Willow Valley Cemetery on Friday, March 27, 2020.

A Celebration of Dave's life and Dave's & Alma's wedding anniversary has been cancelled due to the increased covid-19 exposure.

# Cemetery Details

## **Willow Valley Cemetery**

County Trunk BA  
Richland Center,, WI 53581

# Tribute Wall

PD

“ Deepest sympathies to Alma and all the Manning family. I'll always remember the years of fun playing 4-H softball, with Dave as manager of the Ithaca team. He always made it fun and exciting, and we (eventually) even managed to win a championship or two! Dave certainly left his mark on the Ithaca community and will be sorely missed.

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**Pat Durst** - March 31, 2020 at 05:56 AM

KF

“ So sorry for your loss,, he was a very special man and he will be truely missed by all. You are all in our thoughts and prayers 🙏..

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**Kelly A Feryance** - March 28, 2020 at 10:55 AM

JW

“ Randy and family, very sorry for the the loss of Dave.

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**John Weitzel** - March 27, 2020 at 09:26 PM

JE

“ So sad to hear of Dave's passing. My heart is heavy. Our prayers are with you. Jenny Ewers

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**Jenny Ewers** - March 26, 2020 at 03:45 PM



“ 124 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



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**Clary Memorial Funeral Home** - March 26, 2020 at 01:20 PM

AS

“ *We are thinking about your family during this time.*

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**Andy and Suzanne** - March 25, 2020 at 08:47 PM

LD

“ *Sad to hear this, Our Sympathy Alma, to you and your family.  
Dick and Lorraine Dalberg*

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**Lorraine Dalberg** - March 25, 2020 at 07:30 PM



“ I was very saddened to hear of Dave's passing. Many years ago, playing 4-H softball, he was my favorite umpire! I will never forget playing one game, I think it was in Boaz, I was up to bat, and one of my contacts popped out of my eye. He could tell something was wrong, and stopped the game. I explained what happened, and he asked me what color it was. I answered "brown". He announced to the crowd, "Well folks, this may take awhile, looking for a brown contact in brown sand"! But, by golly, we found it, and the game went on!! Something that I have always remembered. Wonderful sense of humor, and so kind. Thinking of you Alma, Rick, Ken, Randy and Terry! Cherish all the wonderful memories!

Tammy Kepler

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Tammy Kepler - March 25, 2020 at 05:13 PM

RS

Dave and Alma we're always like my second parents and I have many wonderful memories with Dave and Alma and their family one of my most good times I had with Dave light help pick corn for how many years I'll never forget the day but corn was plugging up in the picker I didn't even see him I got off the tractor many times and I left a PTO running and I was cleaning out the large corn they've come up behind me and grabbed me from behind and pulled me away and actually chewed me out and if they ever caught me doing that again with the power take-off running that he would kick my butt and believe me he was mad enough to do that but there's many many X Dave has help me with things like that and taught me the right way my heart goes out to the Elma and the boys cuz they're going to miss a great dad and the grandkids are going to miss a great-grandparent so here's to you Dave will meet you someday on that farm open the wild blue yonder may God bless you and may God bless you and your family in this time

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Rodney Schulze - March 26, 2020 at 10:39 AM

PM

“ We are so sorry to hear of Dave's passing. Our thoughts are with the family. I will never forget bowling against Dave. He was quite the man. Always kind and helpful to others. He will be missed.

*Pat and Helen Magee*

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**Pat Magee** - March 25, 2020 at 02:35 PM

AF

“ Manning family, we are so sorry for your loss. Thinking of you during this difficult time.

*Ken, Angela Josh and Myles Frye.*

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**Angela Frye** - March 25, 2020 at 02:26 PM

MC

“ I was so sorry to hear of Dave's passing. I had the pleasure to speak with Dave a few times over the past year and truly enjoyed our conversations. I have fond memories of spending time the farm with Terry in my younger years. I will be thinking of the entire Manning family during this difficult time.

*Mark Crary*

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**Mark Crary** - March 25, 2020 at 12:19 PM

JA

“ Alma & family,  
We are so sorry about the loss of Dave. Heaven sure got lucky to have him there planting all those crops & making sure everything was operating the way things should be done. Dave was such a hard working farmer, he will be missed by so many in the Ithaca area. Sending our love to you at this difficult time for you all.

*Greg & Judy Alvin*

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**Judy & Greg Alvin** - March 24, 2020 at 11:57 PM

CD

“ So very sorry to hear this. I am thinking of you all and offer you my sincerest condolences.

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**Chris Drea** - March 24, 2020 at 09:49 PM

RG

“ Alma, Ken, Rick, Randy, Terry & the rest of the family: So sorry for your loss. Dave was always smiling & was a great role model for all of you (and all of us too). Cherish the moments you had with him. We are all better people for having known him. Hugs to you all.

*I'm sure he's upstairs watching a lil wrestling!!!*

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**Ron & Barb Granger** - March 24, 2020 at 07:16 PM

MN

“ Randy and Heidi and family we are sorry for your loss. Faith and I will continue praying for you and your family in these hard days to come. Call us if you need anything. Mike and Faith Nalepinski.

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**michael t nalepinski** - March 24, 2020 at 06:22 PM

LK

“ Thank you Dave for sharing your knowledge of wrestling while we watched our grandson wrestle. You will be truly missed. To Randy, Heidi and families Steve and I are so sorry for your loss. I know that Trevor and Gavin really thought the world of him as well. Many thoughts and prayers to your families.  
Steve and Laura Kaul

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**Laura Kaul** - March 24, 2020 at 06:16 PM

MH

“ You have my deepest sympathy. If you need anything please let me know. Love, Mary Hart

Mary Hart - March 24, 2020 at 12:37 PM

JK

“ My sympathy to the family of David Manning, always a happy person. Jean Keegan



Jean Keegan - March 24, 2020 at 11:32 AM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of David Kenneth Manning.



March 24, 2020 at 10:40 AM

LM

“ Our sympathy to the family. Dave always had a smile. Loretta and Walt McCarthy

LORETTA R MCCARTHY - March 24, 2020 at 08:42 AM

JS

“ Dear Manning Family - We are so sorry for your loss. I know he was loved. God bless you at this difficult time and thank you guys for raising such a fine Dad.

John Schmotz - March 23, 2020 at 10:37 PM

DG

“ Our deepest sympathies to the Manning family. Dave was an outstanding member of the community, a phenomenal farmer and terrific role model for future farming generations. Rest peacefully.

Darcee Guerrero - March 23, 2020 at 09:43 PM

MK

Ken and family--so sorry to hear of Dad's passing. Especially difficult at this time. May God be with you in your grief. Remember all the good times. He will always be in your heart and thoughts. MariJo Kabat

Mari Kabat - March 25, 2020 at 08:34 AM

RZ

“ Alma and Manning Family,  
We are so sorry to hear of Dave's passing.  
Sending our deepest condolences.

Robin and Steve Ziemke - March 23, 2020 at 09:07 PM

CF

“ Cannot express how much we love your family and how we will miss Dave's smiling face! Our deepest sympathy to all the family. The neighborhood will be forever changed. Loads of love from the Anderson's!!

Carolyn and Ken Anderson family - March 23, 2020 at 08:19 PM

JL

“ Our deepest sympathy for Dave's Family. Sorry for your loss! We really enjoyed working with him when he came to help pick our corn.  
Love,  
Jim and JoAnn Lingel

Jim Lingel - March 23, 2020 at 06:12 PM

VW

“ Hugs and prayers for the manning family Dave was a sunshine to all the 4-H kids he worked with over the years Dairy leader spending every day at the county fair going home to do his chores and then back to stay overnight with the kids He did this routine every day of the fair He will be missed by his many friends as well as his family

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**virginia wiedenfeld** - March 23, 2020 at 04:20 PM

GW

“ THINKING OF YOU ALMA AND YOUR FAMILY. REMEMBERING OUR BOWLING DAYS. IS THERE ANOTHER ALMA MANNING? IS ONE IN THE PHONE BOOK THAT LIVES IN TOWN HERE. TAKE CARE, HUGS AND LOVE, GEORGINE

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**Georgine Worthington** - March 23, 2020 at 04:01 PM

RH

“ To Alma, Ken, Rick, Randy and Terry and all of your families, just reading Dave's Obit absolutely fills my soul with "Oh my gosh feelings!" Just think of the many lives that he touched in all areas, his whole life! And he did it so well as Dave would do. He was so respected for how he did things and he certainly passed that on to his family. I just loved to see him where ever it would be. We would always have great conversations, serious or silly, long or short, working or just reminiscing! He always would have something smart to say that would make me laugh. I know you will miss him terribly, we all will! God gained another angel in him. We'll keep you all in our prayers! I will never forget his smile and his laugh!!! Love you all so much!!!!

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**Ron and Shawn (Emerson) Hess** - March 23, 2020 at 03:36 PM

LF

*To Alma and family, We were very sorry to hear about Dave's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time. Lindsay & Jean Faber*

**Lindsay Faber** - March 23, 2020 at 08:38 PM

CM

*Alma and family,  
We are so saddened to hear of Dave's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. May you be comforted by all the wonderful memories you hold in your hearts.  
John and Cheryl McNurlin*

**Cheryl McNurlin** - March 23, 2020 at 10:26 PM

AF

*Our sincere condolences to the family, an unimaginable loss for not only the family but for the young 4H members and farmers that have learned so much when working with him.*

**Andy and Margie freeman** - March 24, 2020 at 12:37 PM



*Dear Alma and Family, What a privilege to have known and worked with Dave. His dedication and true commitment to everything he did was very evident. God took home one of his best. We will miss him!  
Vince and Donnabel Willis.*

**Donnabel Fritz-Willis** - March 24, 2020 at 10:33 PM

KM

*Alma and entire family, you are in our thoughts and prayers at this very sad time. I will remember Dave's welcoming smile and his soulful eyes his heart for the love of family, community and the pride he took in farming .. these are things that stood out to me as Leo and I visited his farm many years ago in our younger days. We didn't see him often over the years, but when we did, there was that smile, the soulful eyes and the welcoming heart. God bless each of you in these days ahead!  
Love, Karen & Leo Manning*

**Karen Manning** - March 25, 2020 at 07:04 AM



*OUR SYMPATHY AND OUR SHARING YOUR GRIEF . Jim and Deb Fouts .*

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**Jim and Deb Fouts** - March 25, 2020 at 09:39 PM