



## Roger C. Pope

April 14, 1935 - March 15, 2017

Roger C. Pope, 81, of Mason City, IA died Wednesday, March 15, 2017 at Hospice of North Iowa.

A visitation will be held from 5-7 p.m. at Fullerton Funeral Home on Sunday, March 19, 2017. A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. with a one hour prior visitation on Monday, March 20, 2017 at St. James Lutheran Church, 1148 4th St SE, Mason City, with Reverend Jeni Bohls officiating. Burial will follow at Lincoln Township Cemetery.

Roger was born on April 14, 1935 in Rockwell, IA to Frank and Myrna (Wepking) Pope. He graduated from Hanlontown High School. Roger met the love of his life, Myrna Ascher, at a Rural Young People's dance. The couple was united in marriage on November 21, 1959 at the United Church of Christ in rural Nashua, IA. To their union, three children were born. Roger farmed north of Mason City for 45 years. He enjoyed farming and taking the grandchildren on tractor rides.

Roger's pride and joy was a 1957 International Harvester Golden Jubilee pickup. He was very fond of vintage automobiles and spent a lot of time restoring them for fun and to be driven in parades. He was a member of Plymouth Owner's Club, Antique Automobile Club of America and a Charter Member of North Iowa Vintage Auto Club. He liked to involve his

grandchildren, which were also his pride and joy, in his hobby. Roger also fixed up a mini bike and go-cart for the grandchildren to ride. He was an avid collector of many things including antique cars, gas pumps, barbed wire, and toy airplanes.

Roger will be remembered for his uplifting spirit and the way he enjoyed carrying on conversation with family, friends, and strangers.

Those left to cherish his memory include his Wife, Myrna Pope of Mason City; Son, James (Mona) Pope of Mason City; Daughter, Cathy Pope of Rock Falls; Daughter-In-Law, Crystal Pope of Mason City; Grandchildren: Keely Fingalsen, Christopher Pope, Marissa Pope, Aaron Pope and Tricia Pope; Sisters, Audrey Knowles and Frances Theilen; Brother, Richard (Carolyn) Pope; Sisters-In-Law, Donna Pope and Helen Ascher; Brothers-In-law, Ronald Pethick and Eldon Hauser; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his Son, Jonathan Pope; Parents; Parents-In-Law, John and Martha Ascher; Son-In-Law, Craig Fingalsen; Sister, Mary Lorraine Pethick; Brother, Lloyd Pope; Sister-In-Law, Evelyn Hauser; Brothers-In-Law, Harley Ascher, Delivan Knowles and Ron Theilen.

Online condolences may be left at [www.fullertonfh.com](http://www.fullertonfh.com).

Fullerton Funeral Home, 123 2nd St SE, Mason City, IA 50401, 641-423-8676

# Cemetery Details

## Lincoln Township Cemetery

Clear Lake, IA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 19. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Fullerton Funeral Home in Mason City  
123 2nd St. SE  
Mason City, IA 50401  
(641) 423-8676  
mail@fullertonfh.com  
<https://www.fullertonfh.com>

## Visitation

MAR 20. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St James Lutheran Church  
1148 4th St SE  
Mason City, IA

## Funeral Service

MAR 20. 11:00 AM (CT)

St James Lutheran Church  
1148 4th St SE  
Mason City, IA



# Tribute Wall



“ *Roger C. Pope*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *Sorry to hear about your loss, Myrna & family. Sending sympathy from AZ. Thinking of you all.*



**Marlene Shadle** - March 19, 2017 at 06:32 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Roger C. Pope .*



March 19, 2017 at 02:17 PM



“ *Many fond memories of Roger and his family in Hanlontown over 60 years ago. My heart goes out to all in his family.*

**Ole Bakken** - March 19, 2017 at 01:15 PM

SR

“ I remember Roger's many trips back to SW Wisconsin to visit his cousins in Stitzer, Boscobel and Solders Grove in the 1950's . He always used the excuse he made the trip to buy apples in Gays Mill, but the real reason was that Roger loved to visit family , get all the news from the Wisconsin Roth clan and share the news from the Iowa folks.

*My sisters Joan, Janet and Peggy all had a crush on Roger and one time or another. They remember when Roger and his brother took them all dancing at the Surf Ballroom in Clear Lake. Joan still talks about this.*

*Later when I moved to Iowa to live,.....our trips to Mason City area to visit Vera, Roger and Myrna became a highlight for LaVon and me. Our most recent visit to Roger & Myrna was in February and we spent all afternoon, looking at old pictures and reminiscing about family. What a fun day.*

*We will miss you so much Roger, especially your soft spoken words, your subtle sense of humor and that twinkle in your eyes, as you would tell a story.*

*God Bless*

*Stephen and LaVon Roth*

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**Stephen Roth** - March 19, 2017 at 12:11 PM

ML

“ Mike Lair purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Roger C. Pope .



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**Mike Lair** - March 19, 2017 at 08:45 AM

SB

“ So sorry to hear of Roger's passing. He used to bring beans in at AGP and I always enjoyed our brief visits, he was a very pleasant and upbeat man. Prayers to you & your family.  
Sincerely, Sue Bryant

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**Sue Bryant** - March 19, 2017 at 08:44 AM

GM

“ Extending deepest sympathy to you. May your memories of the wonderful times you shared comfort you today and always.  
Galen & Carol Menken

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**Galen & Carol Menken** - March 19, 2017 at 07:48 AM

CS

“ Cathy and Keely, Our deepest sympathy to you and your family in the passing of your dad and grandpa. We know he will be missed by many. Please pass our sympathy on to your mom. We will stop and talk to you when we get home. You will be in our thoughts ad prayers in the days to come. God Bless.

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**Cindy and Terry Stanley** - March 19, 2017 at 12:36 AM

DM

“ I am very sorry to hear of Roger's passing. My condolences for your loss.

*Best personal regards,*

*David Morse*

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**David Morse** - March 18, 2017 at 09:33 PM

PO

“ Cathy, Keely

*So sorry to hear about your dad's passing. My heart goes out to you and your mom! I still remember going to the museum for ice cream when they was there. My prayers are with you all. Love and hugs coming your way. ❤️ Polly*

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**polly osborn** - March 18, 2017 at 07:20 PM

TW

“ Ted And Linda Wisman lit a candle in memory of Roger C. Pope



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**Ted and Linda Wisman** - March 17, 2017 at 07:43 PM

TW

“ We will miss you, Roger! Without you we would not have known country living! Our heartfelt sympathy to the family. We will really miss a great guy!

*Ted and Linda Wisman*

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**Ted and Linda Wisman** - March 17, 2017 at 07:42 PM