



Michael Thomas Dahl

August 1, 1961 - July 1, 2025

Michael Dahl, age 63, of rural Bayard passed away on Tuesday July 1, 2025, following a tractor accident near his home.

Funeral services will be at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 9, 2025, at the Bayard Community Center in Bayard with burial at the Willow Township Cemetery north of Bayard. Visitation, also at the Community Center, will be between 11:30 a.m. until 1:45 pm. on Wednesday. Pastor Carolyn Schwartz of the Bayard United Methodist Church will officiate. Casket bearers are Jared Dahl, Paul Lemke, Kelly Nielsen, Kyle Nielsen, Tim Murrane, Bryan Booth, Ely Booth and Scott McClellan.

Funeral arrangements are under the guidance of the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll and online condolences may be left for Mike's family at www.sharpfuneral.com.

Michael Thomas Dahl, son of Thomas and Janet (Hanen) Dahl, was born August 1, 1961, in Jefferson, Iowa. He grew up on a farm south of Bagley. With many young families in the area, strong bonds were made, leading to a lifetime of neighborhood picnics and so much more. When Mike was in junior high school, his family moved to rural Bayard. There, he worked on the family farm and attended the Bayard school where he was very active in sports. He played football and baseball, but excelled in track and field, breaking records

and winning many medals for the team. He graduated from Bayard in 1979.

After graduating, Mike farmed for a short time with his Dad and brother, Jeff. A few years later, Mike worked for Gene Phelps assembling machinery. In time, his skill set shifted to jobs that involved construction and carpentry. In the early 90's Mike went out on his own, eventually creating a one man operation: Dahl Construction.

On May 28th, 1994, Mike was united in marriage with Jennifer Wolf at the Bayard United Methodist Church. With this marriage, Mike lovingly gained his son Shane. The family lived in Bayard for a short time before settling on their present home north of Bayard. Once there, the three began the long, loving journey restoring and renovating both house and yard. It was home and that meant everything to Mike.

When Mike took the time, he enjoyed antiquing with his wife, Jennifer, and snow skiing with his son, Shane. He didn't allow himself much spare time, but he did enjoy reading, fishing from the shoreline, and coffee with friends and family. He was a die hard Hawkeye fan. Most weekends the football game had to be recorded, but it was top priority when Saturday's work came to an end. Mike was always busy and had a huge vegetable garden. He grew huge tomatoes and managed to win second place, at the State Fair, the first time he entered. Mike obviously never forgot his farming roots. He had a few cows and grew alfalfa hay that he and his nephew, Jared, put up in the barn for future sale. Some of the happiest days of Mike's life were spent on a tractor. Mowing and raking hay wasn't work to him, it was pure joy.

Mike is survived by his wife Jennifer Dahl of rural Bayard; his son Shane Wolf of rural Bayard; two brothers Jeff (Jennifer) Dahl and Todd (Gloria) Dahl, all of rural Bayard; two sisters Ann Dahl (Tammy Barton) of Liberty, Missouri, and Kris (Darwin) Larrison of Bettendorf; aunts and uncles: Ted (Sandy) Dahl of

Waukesha, WI; Ruth McDonald of Rising Sun, MD; Jerry (Janet) Hanen of Branson, MO; his mother-in-law Martha Wolf of Bayard; two sisters-in-law Kerry Weston of Branson, MO, and Karla Kaufman of West Des Moines; numerous nieces and nephews.

Mike was preceded in death by his parents; father-in-law Gerald Wolf; brother-in-law David Wolf; nieces Emma Dahl and Allia Janning; great niece Sydney Weston; four uncles: George McDonald, Jim Lyons, Bud Hanen, Dick Hanen; and his best friend Mike "Huggy" McClellan.

Tribute Wall

NW

“ We are so,so sorry Jennifer. I remember Mike being pretty quiet, but the one thing that stood out was that he loved his life and loved his wife. What a beautiful life he had with you Jenn. You are like sunshine and he was loving every minute. We miss you and want you to know we are thinking and praying for you all the time. XOXO
Michael and Nora

Nora Watkins - July 09, 2025 at 03:07 PM

DS

“ Our deepest condolences to Mike's family, friends, and loved ones. We are very sad to hear of this tragedy and a precious life gone way too soon. May the family find peace and comfort remembering many precious memories and knowing that others care very much. Dennis & Paula Sult

Dennis Sult - July 09, 2025 at 01:16 PM

DA

“ My condolences to all of Mike's family. Joe and Cynthia are some of my best friends and I have had the pleasure of meeting Mike and Jennifer over the years through them. My heart aches for you all. God Bless

Debbie Angelo and family in Creston

Debbie Angelo - July 09, 2025 at 01:13 PM



CM

“ Charlie and Cindy (Dahl) Mundy purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Michael Thomas Dahl.



Charlie and Cindy (Dahl) Mundy - July 09, 2025 at 06:32 AM

CM

“ Charlie and Cindy (Dahl) Mundy planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Michael Thomas Dahl.

Charlie and Cindy (Dahl) Mundy - July 09, 2025 at 06:32 AM

KK

“ Kathleen K. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Michael Thomas Dahl.

Kathleen K. - July 08, 2025 at 10:30 AM

KK

“ Kathleen K. purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Michael Thomas Dahl.



Kathleen K. - July 08, 2025 at 10:30 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Michael Thomas Dahl.

July 08, 2025 at 07:57 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Michael Thomas Dahl.



July 08, 2025 at 07:57 AM



“ Hunter purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Michael Thomas Dahl.



Hunter - July 08, 2025 at 12:15 AM



“ Mike was one of the nicest, polite, respectful friend we have ever had. We loved him like a brother. Mike you will be greatly missed by so many. May God Bless you and wrap your family in his arms to help them through this horrible tragedy. Rest in Peace great Man. We love you! Love the Ostie family, Ostie, Tracy, Augie, Addy, Kinsey, Keenan, Kassey, Dalten. DOGS - Ace Maggie May and Jax They loved you as well.

Tracy Benoit-Ostendorf - July 07, 2025 at 04:36 PM



“ Randy, Colette, Janelle, Bryan, Michelle purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Michael Thomas Dahl.



Randy, Colette, Janelle, Bryan, Michelle - July 07, 2025 at 02:19 PM

EH

“ Ed Weiss and Becky Hasty purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Michael Thomas Dahl.



Ed Weiss and Becky Hasty - July 07, 2025 at 08:54 AM

JB

“ Mike was one of the most positive happy go lucky individuals I have ever met. I enjoyed our brief conversations at the All School Reunions. He will be sorely missed. I am praying for his family, friends, and acquaintances as I am sure he made a positive impression on everyone he came in contact with! 🙏❤️🙏 Janel Gilson Brush

Janel Brush - July 06, 2025 at 10:38 PM

RH

“ Rhonda H. purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Michael Thomas Dahl.



Rhonda H. - July 06, 2025 at 07:17 PM

JH

“ Janet H. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Michael Thomas Dahl.

Janet H. - July 06, 2025 at 01:57 PM

CH

“ Cousins Liz and Rich Hanen planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Michael Thomas Dahl.

Cousins Liz and Rich Hanen - July 06, 2025 at 12:29 PM

CH

“ Cousins Liz and Rich Hanen purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Michael Thomas Dahl.



Cousins Liz and Rich Hanen - July 06, 2025 at 12:29 PM

TF

“ Tracey Larrison and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Michael Thomas Dahl.

Tracey Larrison and family - July 06, 2025 at 12:00 PM

TF

“ Tracey Larrison and family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Michael Thomas Dahl.



Tracey Larrison and family - July 06, 2025 at 12:00 PM

DP

“ Jennifer and family, my deepest condolences to all of you. I'm so heartbroken over Mike's passing. He was an amazing man and always said hello with a smile. And so funny. Brother Mike loved going to your house Sunday mornings for I'm sure was great conversation. Now they've reunited and I'm sure enjoying more great conversation and catching up. God's blessings to you all and prayers for comfort. Love you. 💔🙏

Deb Pope - July 06, 2025 at 11:49 AM

TF

“ The Watkins and Wood Families purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Michael Thomas Dahl.



The Watkins and Wood Families - July 06, 2025 at 11:10 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Michael Thomas Dahl.

July 06, 2025 at 06:34 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Michael Thomas Dahl.



July 06, 2025 at 06:34 AM

DL

“ I will remember Mike's smiling face he was a light in the darkness
Deb Louk

Deb Louk - July 05, 2025 at 07:37 PM

MN

“ Maurice & Nuela purchased the Chinese Dogwood Tree for the family of Michael Thomas Dahl.



Maurice & Nuela - July 05, 2025 at 06:43 PM

MN

“ Maurice & Nuela planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Michael Thomas Dahl.

Maurice & Nuela - July 05, 2025 at 06:43 PM

SR

“ Heartfelt sorrow from Minnesota. Sam R

sam ramaekers - July 05, 2025 at 05:52 PM

CW

“ Thinking of all of you during this difficult ti.me.Sending all my love and remembering all the great time we had together



Chris Wolf - July 05, 2025 at 03:17 PM

SB

“ Thinking of you all in this difficult time. Fond memories of walking thru the garden & admiring all the plants & flowers.



Sue Bush - July 05, 2025 at 03:07 PM

DS

Although no words of sympathy can ease the loss you bear, Still. may you find some comfort knowing others truly care. So sorry for your loss
Diana Sheer, Chris White, j.j. Sheer

Diana Sheer - July 06, 2025 at 11:14 AM

LC

Tim and I are sending all our love and condolences. Prayers for peace in your heart and know we surround you with love and prayers. Linda and Tim Cherry

Linda Cherry - July 07, 2025 at 11:10 AM

SW

Mike was kind, gifted, funny, and loved. We will so miss our walks through the amazing garden, visiting, and celebrating your anniversary together. With prayers, love, and all our sympathy, Steve and Colette

Steve and Colette Wall - July 07, 2025 at 02:27 PM

BB

Having lost my 16 year old son in the same manner, I am in deep sadness to hear about Michael.

Bill Baldwin - July 08, 2025 at 03:15 PM