



## Carl Axel Gustafson

October 22, 1922 - April 11, 2011

Carl Axel Gustafson of Cadillac died Monday morning, April 11, 2011 at Mercy Hospital in Cadillac. He was 88. He was born on October 22, 1922 in Jennings to Edwin & Hulda (Johnson) Gustafson and they preceded him in death. He attended Stone Ledge Elementary School and graduated from Cadillac high School in 1940.

Carl was a lifetime farmer in Clam Lake Township and breeder of Registered Shorthorn cattle. He was also a rural mail carrier from the Cadillac Post Office for 22 years and retired in 1982. Mr. Gustafson had served as Supervisor of Clam Lake Township for several years and was a lifelong member of Zion Lutheran Church in Cadillac.

On March 25, 1968 in St. Louis, Michigan he married the former Kathryn L. Burkett and she survives him along with their son, Stanley (Margaret) Gustafson of Cedar Springs; 2 grandchildren: Caitie and Austin; a sister-in-law, Florence Gustafson of Cadillac; 2 nephews: Edwin W. Gustafson of Chelsea, and Eric L. Gustafson of Cadillac. In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by an infant brother, Arthur S. Gustafson and a brother, John A. Gustafson in 1986.

Funeral services will be held 11:00 AM Thursday, April 14, 2011 at the Peterson Funeral Home in Cadillac with Reverend Scott Torkko officiating.

Burial will be at Oak Grove Cemetery in Jennings. Friends may meet the family from 2-4 & 6-8 PM Wednesday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Zion Lutheran Church. An online guestbook is available at [www.petersonfh.com](http://www.petersonfh.com).

# Tribute Wall

CS

“ So sorry for you!

cathy stilwell - April 15, 2011 at 08:59 PM

JS

“ Stan,  
We are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you, your Mom, Margaret, Katie & Austin.

Jay, Nichole, Drew & Morgan Spencer - April 13, 2011 at 07:46 PM

SF

“ Kathryn and Stanley Julie and I are sad to hear of Carl's passing. We would like to do something in Carl and John's memory with the Shorhorn foundation. We know Carl enjoyed his Shorthorns. I remember as a young boy riding in the station wagon over the hills of Wexvale Farms picking out my heifers. You are in our prayers. Steve French President of the Michigan Shorthorn Association

Steve & Julie French - April 13, 2011 at 02:47 PM

MM

“ Matt & I are so very sorry to hear of Carl's passing. He was a wonderful person and he will be remembered for his many qualities and contributions. Take care, Katheryn and family, you are in our thoughts and prayers.

Matt & Tara Miller - April 12, 2011 at 11:41 PM

CB

“ Kathryn & Stan , Our prayers are with you both. Bonnie and I have so many fond memories of our times visiting on the farm when we were little. We loved having Carl and Johnny at our Fife Lake home too for holidays. We always LOVED the stories about our Swedish family. There was a big celebration in heaven yesterday when Carl reunited with our Lord and our loved ones. We will miss him so much but have the comfort to know we will see him again.

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**Cindy Way & Bonnie Burian** - April 12, 2011 at 08:47 PM

HC

“ Kathryn & Family,  
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*We are very sorry to hear of your loss. aharold & I are better people for having known you & your family. May the Peace of Christ that passes all understanding keep your hearts & minds in the Love of Jesus Christ.*

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**Harold & Evelyn Cornell** - April 12, 2011 at 06:12 PM

CH

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. Praying for your family.

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**Chris Huckle** - April 12, 2011 at 04:56 PM

JF

“ Stan and Margaret, so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

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**Jill Frazee-Eitman** - April 12, 2011 at 02:12 PM

DP

“ *Kathryn & Family, we are very sorry to hear about Carl's death. We pray that our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ will send you a extra measure of His Holy Spirit to up lift you in your time of need.*

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**Devere Oscar & Gloria Peterson** - April 12, 2011 at 09:34 AM