

Norseland News

THE OFFICIAL MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF NORSELAND NURSING HOME



Announcements

ANNOUNCEMENT: FRIENDSHIP HOUSE

Conveniently located next to Norseland Nursing Home is the "Friendship House" which is an independent living facility. The Friendship House has an open apartment available. For further information or if you would like to schedule a tour, please feel free to contact administration.

-Megan Arnold, NHA
Administrator



Check us out on Facebook!
"Like" our page
"Norseland Nursing Home"
for updated photos, videos,
and announcements.



Employee Highlights:

WORK ANNIVERSARIES:

- Ashley Herricks, CNA: 12 yrs.
- Daisy Hansen, CNA: 4 yrs.
- Makayla Manke, CNA: 3 yrs.
- Kirra Leer, Dietary Aid: 1 yr.
- Linda Hagen, Laundry: 31 yrs.
- Crystal Brown, BAA: 17 yrs.
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NEW EMPLOYEES:

- Natalie Miller, CNA trainee
- Ella Hayes, CNA



ANNOUNCEMENT: WE'RE HIRING

We are hiring! Be sure to check out our website for available positions (CNAs, Nurse Techs, PM part time dietary aid/cook, and more!) Apply today at:
www.bsjcorp.com/employment/

-Megan Arnold, NHA
Administrator

Special Events



Mike & Miller Show

We will be welcoming the Mike & Miller Show which is a comedy and juggling act from Green Bay, WI on July 19th @ 1:30PM! We will be hosting a circus themed day to go along with the new entertainment. We look forward to an afternoon of laughter and smiles. This program was made possible by the generosity of Ruth & Dave Amundson. Thank you for choosing to share your kindness with us!

4th of July



We will be celebrating the 4th of July with a Patriotic Social on July 3rd at 10:00am. The social will consist of Patriotic Bingo and Red/White/Blue Popsicles. We will resume patriotic themed programming throughout the day and again on July 4th. Themed programming includes: Kahoot Trivia Game, Patriotic Name That Tune, craft, red white and blue nail painting, and word games. We look forward to celebrating the holiday!



Patio Picnic w/ Cheese Corner

We will be hosting a picnic on our newly renovated patio on July 31st at 12:00PM. Residents will have the opportunity to order in from the Cheese Corner while enjoying the sunshine, therapy chickens, and flowers on our patio! If interested, please sign up with Rec. Therapy as there is limited availability.



Hot Fudge Sundaes

July 25 is celebrated as National Hot Fudge Sundae Day. We will be offering Hot Fudge Sundaes at 3:30 PM on July 25th as a sweet treat!

Community Engagement

Fireworks



Thank you to the City of Westby for hosting their annual firework display at dusk on the 4th of July. Residents will have the opportunity to watch the firework display from our front entrance. Please let staff know if you are interested in going outside to watch fireworks. Thank you City of Westby!

Redemption Chapel



Thank you to the members of Redemption Chapel for your thoughtful gift of blue carnations in celebration of Father's Day. Your kind gesture reminds our residents that they are loved and remembered. Thank you for making us feel included and for making Father's Day a little extra special!

Ontario Car Cruise



The 5th Annual Ontario Car Show will be visiting Norseland Nursing Home on July 4th and parking their classic cars in the Norseland front parking lot around 2:30PM. Resident families are encouraged to visit and assist their loved one outdoors to view cars. This event is being held in honor of Jesse Stout (co-creator of the Ontario Car Show & Norseland resident). Thank you Jesse Stout family for organizing and including us! Please reach out to Kyle Stout (*organizer of event*) directly for any questions. (608) 495-7292.

Special Thanks to our Donors

Grant & Carrie Leum



Thank you to the Leum family for their generous monetary gift that made the patio renovation possible! Our newly renovated patio will feature a larger concrete space, removal of fence to create a more open space, dedicated courtyard for yard games, sensory perennial garden space, and dedicated visiting area for interacting with therapy chickens. We hope this space is utilized as a gathering space for residents and their families. The patio remains under construction at this time. We will continue to update as progress is made.



In Memory of Bob Chambers

Thank you to the Bob Chambers family that donated the BEAUTIFUL wind chime for our gazebo area. Residents will certainly enjoy the peaceful sounds of the chime while spending time outdoors. Thank you for also sponsoring musical entertainment by Two Sisters on July 26th at 10:00am in Bob's memory. Bob would be happy to know his love for music is still being shared with others. Thank you Chambers family for your generosity!



Norseland Auxiliary

Thank you to the Norseland Auxiliary who continues to donate monthly to provide our residents with weekly bingo prizes. Each week, residents look forward to the prize of a soda, assorted snacks, or sweet treats. They also LOVE stuffed animals. If you have any gently used stuffed animals that you would like to donate, please bring to recreation office. Thank you for your consideration!

In Memory Of...

"Those who touch our lives stay in our hearts forever."

Elaine Baker



June 27, 1930 - June 14, 2024

Elaine A. Baker, age 93, of DeSoto, passed away on Friday, June 14, 2024. She was born to the late Walter and Agnes (Swanson) Anderson on June 27, 1930, in Chicago. Raised in Chicago, Elaine graduated from Northern Illinois University, Dekalb, IL with a degree in education. While working as a kindergarten teacher for the Barrington School District, she earned her master's degree in education. Elaine taught Kindergarten for 38 years at Sunny Hill School in Carpentersville and at Countryside School in Barrington, IL.

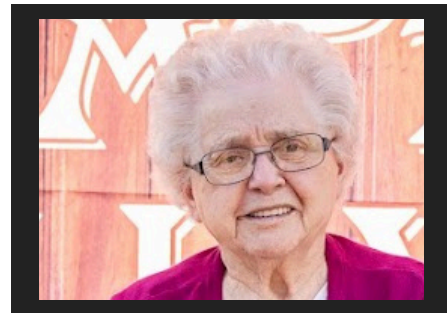
In March of 1950, Elaine married William A. Baker. They began raising their seven children in Carpentersville before moving to Dundee in 1970, where they remained until retiring to their farm in DeSoto, WI. While in Carpentersville and Dundee, Elaine was a member of St. Stephens Lutheran Church. After settling in DeSoto, she joined the congregation of DeSoto Lutheran Church where she was an active member and made many friends. Elaine was busy in retirement tending to her tree farm, volunteering with several community organizations, quilting and helping neighbors, who in turn helped her when needed. She had a village around her.

Elaine is survived by her children: Sue Ann (David) Dumke of Brule, WI, Timothy (Donna) of Carpentersville, IL, Bonnie (Jeff) Frye of Amelia, OH, Daniel (Colleen) of Genoa, IL, and Rickard of Littleton, CO; 12 grandchildren; and 13 great-children.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William; her sons, Billy and Kenneth; grandson, Jacob Dumke; and brother, Walter D. Anderson.

The family is grateful to Bethel Helping Hands, Norseland Nursing Home, and St. Croix Hospice for their care and kindness.

Helen Hanson



Sept 15, 1933- June 20, 2024

Helen B. (Turben) Hanson, age 90, of Viroqua, WI, passed away on Thursday, June 20, 2024 at Norseland Nursing Home, Westby.

Helen was born on September 15, 1933 to Clarence and Selma (Grimsled) Turben. She graduated from Seneca High School in 1952, and married Howard Hanson later that year on November 8, 1952. Helen farmed alongside her husband and also worked at Sannes Skogdalen Nursing Home as a housekeeper for many years. She was a faithful member of Freeman Lutheran Church. Helen is survived by her husband, Howard; twin boys: Jeff (Eileen) and Jim (Cindy); a daughter, Kalynn (Brad) Rodenkirch; grandchildren; great-grandchildren; a brother-in-law, Donald Hanson; sister-in-law, Lorna (Fritz) Perkins, and many nieces and nephews.

Helen was preceded in death by her parents; in-laws, Harry and Lillian Hanson; brother, Jerald (Alice) Turben, LaVerne (Imogene) Turben; sister, Jeanette (Russell) Birkelo; and sisters-in-law: Harriet (Norvin) Swanstu and Lorraine (Donald) Hanson.

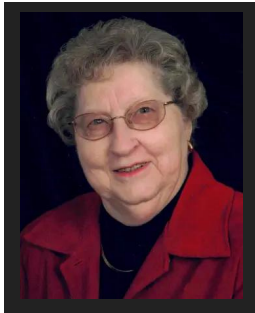
Funeral services will be held at 12:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 30, 2024 at Freeman Lutheran Church, rural Ferryville, with burial to follow in the church cemetery. Visitation will be on Sunday, June 30, 2024 from 11:00 a.m. until the time of service at the church. In lieu of plants and flowers, memorials may be given to the St. Croix Hospice Fund or to Norseland Nursing Home. Thorson-Popp Funeral and Cremation Services in Viroqua is entrusted with her services.

The family wishes to thank Norseland Nursing Home for the great care and love they have given Helen the past two-plus years, and the St. Croix Hospice team for all their care.

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Miriam Lewison



July 28, 1930 - June 22, 2024

Miriam Darlene Lewison, age 93, of Westby, passed away on June 22, 2024. She was born on July 28, 1930, in Sylvan, WI to Grant and Norma (Stewart) Grim. She graduated from Viola High School. Following graduation, she worked at banks in Viola and Viroqua. She married L. David Lewison on November 25, 1954. The couple farmed in Viola, Viroqua, Sparta, and Westby. Miriam was an avid reader, loved baking cookies, enjoyed knitting and crocheting, and was an active quilter at Westby Coon Prairie Lutheran Church. She was a longtime member at Westby Coon Prairie Lutheran Church, where she was a member of the Lydia Circle. Miriam and David enjoyed traveling together and took several trips together after they finished farming. She enjoyed spending time with her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, creating many special memories.

Survivors include her children, Ruth (Alan) Darelus, Paul (Karla) Lewison, and Roger (Katharine) Lewison; six grandchildren, Stephanie Enemocon, Emily (Jeremy) Angle, Erik Darelus, Gregg (Kathleen) Lewison, Gena (Jon Goettl) Lewison, and Ashley (Damian) Dinger; eight great-grandchildren; brother-in-law, Conrad Lewison; sister-in-law, Sue Lewison; several nieces and nephews; other relatives and friends.

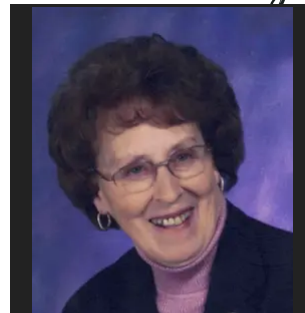
Miriam was preceded in death by her parents; her husband of 65 years, L. David Lewison; her brother, Darrel Grim; her sisters-in-law, Lela Grim, Dorothy Gillet, and Margaret Lewison; her brothers-in-law, Vern Lewison and Jim Gillet; and her niece, Kris Minick.

In lieu of flowers, memorials for Miriam may be addressed to the family and will be donated to Coon Prairie Cemetery or Country Coon Prairie Church in Miriam's memory.

A Funeral Service for Miriam will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 30, 2024, at Country Coon Prairie Church, rural Westby. Visitation will be held from 1:00 p.m. until the time of the service. Miriam will be laid to rest at the church cemetery with a meal to follow in the church hall. Online Condolences may be expressed at www.vossfh.com.

Miriam's family would like to give a very special thank you to the staff members at Norseland Nursing Home for the loving care and support they provided to Miriam for the 2.5 years she was there.

Edith Solberg



Aug. 26, 1931 - June 24, 2024

Edith Evangeline (Olson) Solberg, age 92, of Westby, passed away on June 24, 2024, at Norseland Nursing Home with her family by her side. She was born on August 26, 1931, in Westby to Oscar A. and Edna Olson. Edith married Kenneth B. Solberg on November 12, 1949. They farmed most of their lives on Tri-State Road, Westby, WI. They were avid collectors of Carnival Glass. Edith enjoyed decorating and sewing. She was a demonstrator and sold Home Interiors and Princess House Crystal for many years. She and Kenneth went on several trips, including to Spain. She made many quilt tops for the church to be sent overseas to less fortunate countries. She loved being around her children and grandchildren. In 1999, Edith's granddaughter, Ashley, had written a paper which was selected, making Edith the first Grandmother of the Year for Westby's Syttende Mai.

Survivors include her children, Katharine (Roger) Lewison, Nan Jean (Richard) Schultz, and Susanne Mlsna; her grandchildren, Stephanie Enemocon, Ashley (Damian) Dinger, Jon (Melissa) Schultz, David (Erika) Schultz, Kimberly (Thomas) Pokrandt, Justin (Ember) Mlsna, Tiffany (Adam) Jothen, and Kristina (Joseph) Behn; 19 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; brother, Loren (Sharon) Olson; sisters-in-law, Annette Olson and Betty Wemette; brother-in-law, David Wemette; several nieces and nephews; and other relatives.

Edith was preceded in death by her parents; her husband of 52 years, Kenneth; two infant sons, Douglas and Bruce Solberg; sisters, Arlene Buros and Karen Swenson; sister-in-law, Helen Olson; brother-in-law, Nordahl Buros; and brothers, Ralph and Paul Olson.

Edith's family would like to thank the caring staff members at Norseland Nursing Home for the over 12 years of care they provided for Edith.

There will be an intimate family service to celebrate Edith's life. Edith will be laid to rest at Our Savior's Cemetery, rural Westby privately.