



Jerry Alva Bucklin

September 19, 1933 - January 20, 2026

Jerry Alva Bucklin was born on September 19, 1933 in Bayard, Iowa to Mason Calvin and Hazel Iona (Clark) Bucklin. He passed away on January 20th at Mary Greeley Medical Center at the age of 92. Private family services will be Tuesday January 27th at Salem Lutheran Church in Roland. Burial with military honors will follow in the Roland Cemetery.

Jerry joined the marine corps after high school and served during the Korean War. He then adventured to Alaska for two years of hunting, trapping and commercial salmon fishing.

Jerry returned to Iowa where he met his future wife Wilma. They were married in 1960 and had three sons Gary, Bob and Brian.

They settled in Roland, Iowa. Jerry worked at the Animal Disease Lab. His true passion was fishing and teaching others how to fish. He was a renaissance man enjoying cooking, nature, horticulture, history, science, sports and more. He had a green thumb for gardening and growing apples. He enjoyed making sour dough bread, fresh apple cider, homemade wine, and delighted his grandkids with personalized apples - with their names grown on the peel.

Jerry enjoyed being with family and friends. He was a true-blue Cardinal's fan, a proud father, grandfather and great grandfather, had a booming belly laugh and always remained a proud marine.

He is survived by the love of his life, Wilma, sons Gary (Susana), Bob (Carolyn) Brian (Kristy); grandchildren Jeremy (Deborah), Jason (Jason), Jennifer (Eric), Stephanie (Mike), Justin (Jaimie), Katie; and great grandchildren Layla, Mason and Slade.

He was loved dearly and will be missed by all.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and infant sister, Helen; two sisters, Pearl and Pauline and two brothers, Jim and Bob.

Tribute Wall

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Rodney And Laurie Robb

Condolences to Jerry Alva Bucklin's family, I have fond memories of fishing with Jerry and Bob, also of being at Jerry and Wilma's for all sorts of fun with them and family and wine tasting. He made some upscale winery

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Gregg Larson

Jerry was a genuine, honest & loving man. I am honored having known him and will greatly miss him & our conversations. God bless the memory of Jerry



Tribute Store

A memorial tree was planted in memory of Jerry Alva Bucklin.

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Lori & Tom Gorman

May this tree blossom with memories of you. Semper Fi.



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