

LARSON, Wallis N. "Wally"

October 10, 1939
Cumberland, Wisconsin
July 4, 1986
Rapid City, South Dakota

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Services Held For Rev. Wallis Larson

Funeral services for the Rev. Wallis "Wally" N. Larson, 46, Piedmont were held at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, July 8th at the Piedmont Valley Lutheran Church, with Bishop Norman Eitrheim officiating. Burial was in the Mountainview Cemetery in Rapid City.

Pastor Larson served Spring Valley Lutheran Church from 1968 to 1971.

A memorial educational trust fund has been established for his daughters.

Rev. Larson died Friday, July 4th, 1986 at Rapid City Regional Hospital. He was born October 10, 1939 at Cumberland, Wisconsin to Roy and Linda Larson. He grew up in Cumberland and graduated from Cumberland High School. He attended St. Olaf College. He graduated from Augsburg College in Minneapolis in 1963 with a bachelor's degree in sociology.

On June 1, 1963, he married Jeanne Ruth Patton in Richfield, Minnesota. He attended seminary school at Luther-Northwestern in St. Paul, Minnesota where he graduated in 1967 with a master's degree in divinity. He interned at Royal City, Washington. In July 1968 he was ordained a Lutheran pastor in the American Lutheran Church at First Lutheran Church in Cumberland.

He served parishes at Spring Valley Church in Viborg, S. D.; Holy Trinity at Ephrata, Washington; Redeemer Lutheran at McLaughlin, S. D.; and Piedmont Valley Lutheran at Piedmont, where he was serving at the time of his death. He also was serving as dean of the West River Conference of the South Dakota District of the American Lutheran Church.

He is survived by his wife, Jeanne of Piedmont; two daughters, Karen and Kersten, both of Piedmont; his parents of Shell Lake, Wisconsin; one brother and sister-in-law, Ronald and Marion Larson of Watertown, Wisconsin; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by one sister, Janice Waggoner.
