



Stewart Olson Warmboe

April 21, 1941 - May 2, 2026

Stewart Olson Warmboe, 85, of Way Dam Resort, Crystal Falls, passed away Saturday, May 2, 2026, at his home surrounded by his family.

He was born April 21, 1941 in Duluth, Minnesota, son of the late Lloyd and Anna (Vick) Warmboe. Stewart graduated from Floodwood High School in 1959 in Floodwood, Minnesota.

Stewart held many jobs in his life, especially in his younger years. He worked on the docks in Seattle and he worked in various mines in Minnesota and Michigan. He also was a cook on various ore boats that traveled the Great Lakes. He was a logger using Belgian work horses and was a boxer out on the West coast in his younger years. He owned and operated The Sagola Clubhouse from 1968-1983 and then owned and operated Stewart's Way Dam Resort from 1983-2003.

Stewart throughout his life, had a passion for hunting and fishing, which many of the DNR in the area knew about. He loved his hunting camps, especially his favorite, Caesars Palace. He loved to fish for Walleye out on the dam and anything he hunted or caught, he had a delicious recipe for. He loved to pick berries and apples throughout his years, especially with his grandkids and he loved to bake cookies with his granddaughters. Even up until this past fall, Stewart loved to be in the woods cutting firewood with his trusty chainsaw

because according to him, “he could never have enough firewood” and was known to always keep his house quite warm. Stewart loved to play cards, especially Smear and Cribbage. There was never a casino he didn’t love and that casino loved him back with his various donations. Anyone that met Stewart, loved his stories. When he spoke, he commanded everyone’s attention and you felt as if you were a part of that story. He had quite a few poems he would recite, some from actual poets and some he would make up himself. He was always quick witted and could put a smile on anyone’s face. He loved to give the ladies hugs and squeezes, even into his old age. Stewart was a staple at Way Dam driving around on his 4-wheeler while stopping and visiting anyone who was sitting outside of their cabin. He had a love for all animals, especially his cats who he would call in at night by yelling through the window, “here kitty kitty, here kitty kitty”.

In his later years, Stewart’s passion was being surrounded by his grandkids. His granddaughters took care of him as much as he took care of them. His grandsons could hardly wait to visit him throughout the years to hear his stories and cut firewood. He loved to feed his deer while watching from his chair under the tree. Stewart was also known to be helpful to anyone in need and there are many people that would see Stewart as a mentor or a father figure. He enjoyed spending time with his extended family. Patience wasn’t one of Stewart’s virtues, especially at supper time. His passion for life and stubbornness will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

He is survived by his four children: Eric Warmboe of Iron Mountain, Chet Warmboe of Crystal Falls, Lisa (Joe) Bandola of Crystal Falls and Scott (Jenn) Wiley of Cresco, Iowa; six grandchildren: Anna, Emma, Brandon (Jamie), Colten, and Reid (Emma) and Shane (Jeanna); 3 great grandchildren: Addie, Joey and Ender; one brother, Douglas (Sharon) Warmboe of Crystal Falls and one sister, Mary Kerkala of Negaunee; and nieces and nephews.

Stewart was preceded in death by his son, Matt Warmboe; three siblings, Loyd and Grant Warmboe and Mae Elizabeth "Lisa" Warmboe.

Family and friends will gather to celebrate Stewart's memory May 23, 2026 from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm with a service to follow at Nash Funeral Home in Crystal Falls, MI. Rev. D.J. Rasner will officiate. Burial will be in the Channing Cemetery.

The family would like to thank Marshfield Medical Center Dickinson Hospice for all of their help.

Condolences to the family of Stewart Warmboe may be expressed online at nashfuneralhome.net.

The family has entrusted the Nash Funeral Home of Crystal Falls with the arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Channing Cemetery

Byers Rd.
Channing, MI 49815

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 23. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Nash Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Inc.
104 N. Third Street
P.O.Box 147
Crystal Falls, MI 49920
1-906-875-6381
nashfuneralhome@gmail.com
<https://www.nashfuneralhome.net/>

Funeral Service

MAY 23. 3:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Stewart Olson Warmboe.



May 22 at 04:56 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Stewart Olson Warmboe.



May 22 at 06:36 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of Stewart Olson Warmboe.



May 21 at 07:14 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Stewart Olson Warmboe.

May 21 at 07:14 PM

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“ *The Minerick family, Minerick Logging purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Stewart Olson Warmboe.*



The Minerick family, Minerick Logging - May 21 at 06:04 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Stewart Olson Warmboe.*



May 21 at 03:53 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Stewart Olson Warmboe.*



May 20 at 01:08 PM

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“ *Dear Warmboe Family, Sorry to hear of Dad's passing. My wife & I live in the lower peninsula (Coopersville area). We had "the experience" of the Way Dam Resort w/ our young family back in the '90's. We looked forward to that vacation more than anything else! Always enjoyed Stewart and Family, his 'one breakfast' (lots of pepper on them eggs!), stories, fishing tips, friendliness & the Resort itself. He was one of a kind. Tight lines in Heaven! De & Bud Visser Family*

De & Bud Visser - May 17 at 08:41 AM



“ *Heartfelt Memories was purchased for the family of Stewart Olson Warmboe.*



May 12 at 04:25 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Stewart Olson Warmboe.

May 12 at 04:25 AM



“ *Len and I have many memories of Stuart, especially as it relates to volunteering with Stuart on Star Ambulance. His energy and commitment in getting STAR started were amazing, and the many ambulance runs he was involved with made a positive difference in many lives over the years. We enjoyed his sense of humor and often kind but direct way of saying things as only he could. He had a big personality that will be missed by many. Our deepest condolences to all of you. Leonard & Sue (Feak) Ivey*

Suzanne Ivey - May 09 at 09:03 PM



“ *My heartfelt condolences to all of Stewart's family. It was a privilege take care of him and I so enjoyed hearing his stories. Rest in peace Stewart.*

Karen Steber - May 09 at 12:00 PM

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“ Patricia And Steve Olson lit a candle in memory of Stewart Olson Warmboe



Patricia and Steve Olson - May 08 at 05:37 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Stewart Olson Warmboe.



May 07 at 10:26 PM



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May 07 at 10:26 PM