



Leonard Dean Nielson

October 25, 1925 - March 3, 2016

Leonard D. Nielson, age 90, of Newell, Iowa died Thursday, March 3, 2016 at the Good Samaritan Society in Newell.

Funeral services will be held Monday, March 7, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. at the Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake. Burial will follow in the St. John United Church of Christ Cemetery in rural Newell, Iowa. Visitation will take place Sunday, March 6, 2016 from 2-4:00 p.m. at the Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake is in charge of the arrangements.

Leonard Dean Nielson was born October 25, 1925, in Sac City, Iowa, the son of Leon and Alta (Richter) Nielson.

Leonard attended high school in Storm Lake until he was drafted into the United States Navy on February 25, 1944. He served his country during World War II where he received the rank of Ship's Cook Third Class. Leonard was honorably discharged on June 3, 1946.

On June 4, 1949, Leonard was united in marriage to Arlene Brummer in rural, Newell, Iowa. Together they were blessed with four children: Lynn, Gloria, Sandra, and David.

Leonard worked many years at Hygrade in Storm Lake.

Leonard was a member of the United Church of Christ in Newell until its closing. He also was a member of the Newell American Legion.

In his free time, Leonard loved tending to his garden. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, and was a talented woodworker. Most of all, Leonard loved spending time with his family, and always looked forward to the yearly family vacations. Leonard will be remembered for his sense of humor, and for always being a dedicated husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather, and friend to many. He will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

Those left to cherish his memory include his wife of 66 years, Arlene Nielson of Newell, Iowa; children: Lynn Linke of Storm Lake, Iowa; Gloria (Steven) Frehse of Spencer, Iowa; Sandra (Raymond) Krell of St. Charles, Missouri; David Nielson of Storm Lake, Iowa; grandchildren: Ajay (Stacie) Linke of Alta, Iowa; Jill (Keith) DeMey of Newell, Iowa; Brandon (Karla) Frehse of Everly, Iowa; Branae (Seth) Robb of Spencer, Iowa; Brooke (Brent) Frehse of Cherokee, Iowa; Brance Frehse of Spirit Lake, Iowa; Caprina (Aaron) Wakefield of Defiance, Missouri; Nathan Alexander of St. Charles, Missouri; Megan Nielson of Franklin, Wisconsin; Dana Nielson of Storm Lake, Iowa; twenty great grandchildren; sisters-in-law: Marie Nielson of Storm Lake, Iowa; Renee Bladdon of Bella Vista, Arkansas; extended family and friends.

Leonard was preceded in death by his parents, Leon and Alta Nielson; brothers: Robert Nielson and Harold (Alice) Nielson; infant sister; and great-grandson, Zailin Linke.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 6. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - Storm Lake
1615 W Milwaukee Ave,
Storm Lake, IA 50588
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Service

MAR 7. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Interment

MAR 7 (CT)

St. John United Church of Christ Cemetery -- rural, Newell
Newell, IA 50568

Tribute Wall

FH

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Funeral Home - March 07, 2016 at 12:35 PM

BD

“ Brenda Day lit a candle in memory of Leonard Dean Nielson



Brenda Day - March 06, 2016 at 08:08 AM

KB

“ You are in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time!

Kathy Lackman Brechler - March 05, 2016 at 08:04 PM

NL

“ I grew up next door to Leonard and Arlene. I'll never forget when I found a coon up in a tree and since we didn't have a gun I went over to ask Leonard if he could come over and shoot it. He drove over on the road, with his mower, with rifle in hand. I was about 13 and he handed me the rifle and said "you shoot it". I told him i'd never shot a gun before and he said "you just point and pull the trigger." I got the coon on the 2nd shot. So Leonard in about 30 seconds and even less words "taught" and let me shoot a gun for the first time and I'll never forget that.

Nathan Lichter - March 05, 2016 at 11:49 AM

MN

“ Memories of going to Uncle Leonard's home in the country from my childhood will be in my heart forever. He loved his family, served his country and could tell the best fishing stories, what more could you ask for. Godspeed to a GREAT MAN, Love Mike Nielson

<http://storage.lifetributes.com/Gifts/American-Flag.png>



Mike Nielson - March 04, 2016 at 03:26 PM

AM

“ AmyFrehse lit a candle in memory of Leonard Dean Nielson



AmyFrehse - March 04, 2016 at 11:59 AM