



Archie Richard Nelson

March 25, 1929 - December 26, 2011

Archie Richard Nelson, age 82 of Albia, died Monday, December 26, 2011 at Iowa Methodist Medical Center in Des Moines.

Archie was born March 25, 1929 in Mount Sterling, Iowa to Samuel and Sadie (Garrett) Nelson. He married Marilyn Boyer on October 6, 1951 in Memphis, MO.

A graduate of Milton High School, Archie received a teaching certificate from Parsons College in Fairfield. He taught at country schools prior to joining the Air Force during the Korean War. Upon returning home, he farmed in Bonaparte and Hiteman, while working at Maytag, John Deere Ottumwa Works, and the VA Hospital in Knoxville.

Archie enjoyed farming, raising horses, and being outdoors. He also liked spending time with his family and friends.

Archie is survived by his wife of 60 years, Marilyn Nelson of Hiteman; a son, Kenneth Nelson of Hiteman; 3 grandsons, Les (Julie) Nelson of Albia, Kevin (Joey) Nelson of Albia, and Rick (Melissa) Nelson of Hiteman; 7 great grandchildren, Tiffany, Austin, Garrett, Brandon, Dylan, Courtney, and Dezirae; 2 brothers, Samuel and Pete Nelson; and several nieces and nephews.

Archie was preceded in death by his parents; 2 sisters, Catherine and Madeline; and 3 brothers, Leroy, Joe Dale in infancy, and Harold.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m., Saturday, December 31, 2011 at Tharp-Winfield Funeral Home in Albia. Burial will be in Hiteman Cemetery in Hiteman, with military rites provided by the American Legion, Howard Cessna Post #136 of Albia.

Visitation will begin at 2 p.m., Friday, December 30, 2011 at the funeral home, with Archie's family present from 6-8 p.m.

An open memorial has been established in Archie's name.

Condolences may be left for the family at www.tharpfh.com.

Tribute Wall



“ Archie Richard Nelson

January 30, 2023 at 05:06 AM



“ Archie Richard Nelson

January 30, 2023 at 02:53 AM



“ *i cannot even begin to express how wonderful of a man grandpa was. He had such a big heart and warm smile for everybody regardless if he knew you or not. He was always there for his family and it makes my heart heavy to know he is no longer here. He will be greatly missed. We love you so much grandpa. r.i.p.*

joey nelson - albia, IA - grand daughter - December 31, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Archie was a happy and friendly man.I will miss talking to him at Joey and Kevins house or at the grocery store.It is sad that he beat cancer.and didn't live long enough to enjoy a longer life.I will miss him very much..bye Archie

Christi Stephens - December 30, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ Archie was a man with a heart of gold always helped when needed, and with that heart he tried helping himself by fighting a good fight but god had another idea of him being an angel he needed in heaven. He was a hard working man always working on his farm taking care of his animals and as well as his family. God had seen that, so he took this hard worker and put his body to rest and out of pain. Now that his body is resting in peace, pain free, his soul on the other hand it's with God and is doing good deeds waiting for the rest of us to join in the fun with him. Saving us all a spot up there to show us how things roll up there. He will be missed here on Earth, but in Heaven he has a pain free life and living it up like no tomorrow, watching us all and guiding us thru our daily lives showing us or trying to tell us the rights and wrongs. You are and Always will be loved and missed...RIP

Brenda Benitez - Las Vegas, NV - Grandfather in law - December 30, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ Archie was one of the first neighbors to stop by and welcome us when we moved out to Hiteman. My husband grew up there, but Archie didn't know me so he stopped and talked to meet me. He would stop by every so often to chat with Brian. He always waved when he went by and was a good neighbor. He will be missed.

Nicole and Brian Pumphrey - Albia, IA - neighbor - December 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM