



## Melvin A. Erickson

August 4, 1932 - July 13, 2012

Melvin A. Erickson, age 79, of Arnolds Park, passed away Friday, July 13, 2012, at Lakes Regional Healthcare. He was born on August 4, 1932, in Plainview, Nebraska, to Hans and Eva (Howard) Ericksen.

Melvin graduated from high school in 1950. He served his country in the United States Air Force from 1952, until 1974. Melvin was united in marriage to Carole Grim on July 7, 1957, in Spanaway, Washington. Carole passed away on September 13, 2010. He worked as an Electrical Engineer in the United States Armed Services and for private contractors for many years. Melvin was a member of Twilight Lodge #329, Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, Shriner's International and the American Legion. He enjoyed spending his spare time golfing and fishing.

Melvin is survived by his two daughters, Vickie Hooper, and her husband, Robert, of Las Vegas, Nevada, and Lori Ogles, and her husband, Ricky, of Niceville, Florida; a sister, Donna Olenkamp, and her husband, Daryl, of Sioux City; two brothers, Harold Erichsen, and his wife, Peggy, of McAllen, Texas, and Dean Ericksen, and his wife, Mary Ellen, of Dallas, Texas; three grandchildren; and one great-grandchild. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Carole; three sisters; and two brothers.

A memorial service will be held at 1:00P.M. Friday, July 20, 2012, at St. Alban's Episcopal Church in Spirit Lake.

The Schuchert Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.



# Tribute Wall

BK

“ I worked with Mel when we were both stationed in Alaska in 1957 and 1958. He and Carole were wonderful people and I only regret that I did not stay in touch with them after I left Alaska in 1959.

Bill Kinch - April 18, 2013 at 01:03 PM

HE

“ I have known Mel since he was in high school. He was best man at my wedding to his older brother, Floyd. His picture shows how much he looked like his wonderful mother and I believe he was endowed with her unique compassion. Floyd introduced Mel to Carol. My heart goes out to his daughters and their families.

Helen Erichsen - July 17, 2012 at 08:19 PM

DD

“ Dear Lori...  
My heart aches for you. With our deepest sympathy, we wish you strength during this difficult time. Sincerely, Michael and Deborah Duchemin

Deborah Duchemin - July 16, 2012 at 04:32 PM

CS

“ We always like Mel so much; my husband Doyle enjoyed visiting with Mel whenever we were at Lakewood Park. Now Mel can go join Carol at last. God bless you all in your loss.

Carolyn Schuler - July 16, 2012 at 12:35 PM

KW

“ We enjoyed Mel and Carole during their membership and activity in the Milford Legion Post. Mel's involvement in the Post was greatly appreciated and he will be sorrowfully missed. A good citizen and a great guy. Our Condolences to your family.

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**Kirb Walters** - July 16, 2012 at 11:55 AM

DB

“ Mel and Carol lived across from us in Fostoria. Always a man of kind words and a encourager. I bought his table saw that he was so proud of and used for many Church and family projects. I think of Mel everytime I use it. Mel was a one of a kind Christian man.

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**Dennis Belken** - July 14, 2012 at 08:53 AM

LK

“ A true friend, gentleman & church goer. We will miss his coffee making and many other doings for the church. God rest Mel. Peace

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**Lane Kunath** - July 13, 2012 at 02:45 PM