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Ronald Edward Nielsen, 63 ✓

March 18, 1931 - Aug. 3, 1994

Avoca - Ronald Edward Nielsen was born at Shelby March 18, 1931, the son of John and Minnie Guensche Nielsen. He was one of three children in the family. He attended school in Avoca and graduated in 1948.

He married Elaine Krohn May 20, 1949 at the Lutheran Church in Avoca. He found several avenues of employment including carpentering, cream hauler for the Avoca Creamery, operating a bottle gas business for Skelly Oil Company, Pottawattamie County Deputy Sheriff and Safety Director for Schueman Trucking. Presently he operated an exterminating business along with driving a school bus for the A-S-T School District. They were the parents of four children. He was a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church, Mt. Nebo Masonic Lodge, Avoca Volunteer Fire Department and on the Board of Directors of the Avoca Housing Corporation. He died suddenly Aug. 3, 1994 after suffering an apparent heart attack at age 63 years, 4 months and 16 days.

He was preceded in death by his parents and is survived by his wife Elaine, their four children; Connie (Bob) Jorgensen, Jr. of Avoca, Sheri Nielsen of Omaha, Ronald Nielsen, Jr. (Jolene) of Harlan, and John Nielsen (Nancy) of Dow City, 8 grandchildren, 1 great-grandchild, a sister, Dorothy Struthers of Rockport, MO and a brother, Richard Nielsen (Vicki) of Avoca, nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Aug. 6, 1994 at the Trinity Lutheran Church, Avoca with Pastor Paul Bengtson officiating. Burial was in the Graceland cemetery. Casket bearers were: H.A. "Bing" Lohafer, Jack True, Burl Scott, David Niemann, Al Nielsen and Eugene Wendt. Knutson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

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