

**BICKEL, DARRELL EUGENE“PETE”**

Birth

August 16, 1931 in Watertown,  
South Dakota

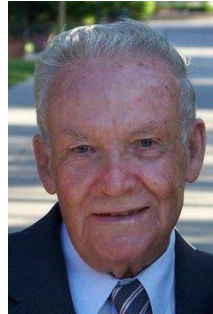


Death

November 5, 2013 at his home in  
Arkansas

Cause of Death

Cancer



Cemetery Lot

Row 8, Space 8 in the New Addition

Father

Everett Lester Bickel

Mother

Neola Mae Helphrey

Marriage

Marilyn Rose Nicodemus

Census

1935 – South Dakota State Census

Germantown, Codington Co., South Dakota, Post Office, South Shane, South Dakota

Bickel, Darrell	03		SD	IL	IA
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1940 – Madison, Lac Qui Parle Co., Minnesota; ED37-17; Page 16A; April 16, 1940  
Family 314

Bickel, Evertt	35	garage auto mechanic	IL
		Rent home; same place in 1935	
Neola	31		IA
Jack	10		SD
<b>Darrell</b>	<b>08</b>		<b>SD</b>
LaVonne	06		SD

Darlene	05	SD
Gail	02	MN

## Obituary

[From the Memorial Card]

Darrell Eugene "Pete" Bickel, 82, a proud father and grandfather, departed from this Earth on November 5, 2013 at his home surrounded by his loving family. Pete was born August, 16, 1931 in Watertown, South Dakota to Neola and Everett Bickel.

He proudly served his country in the U.S. Marine Corps, during the Korean Conflict as a crew chief with the Marine Air Corp.

He worked 27 years at O'Callaghan's starting as a service repairman and retiring in 1988 as manager of the service department. In addition to his career at O'Callaghan's he co-owned and operated K and P Appliance for many years. Upon retirement he and his wife, Marilyn of 37 years, moved to Horseshoe Bend, Arkansas, to live in their dream home on CrownLake.

He enjoyed an abundance of activities; boating, fishing, swimming, water skiing and traveling. Pete also served as an ambulance driver and was a member of Shepard of the HillsLutheranChurch and the Eagles Lodge.

Pete is survived by his children, Jackie (Dave) O'Neal, Darrell "Speedy" (Annie) Bickel, Rick (Terry) Brose, Sandy Blackford and Randy Brose; daughter-in-law, Kari Bickel-Kammerer; 20 grandkids, 44 great-grandkids; siblings, Jack (Veronica), LaVonne, Darlene, Gail (Ralph), Jan (Linda), Jerry (Joyce), Karen (Keith), Marvin (Jan), Marilyn (Warren) and Vicki (Gari). He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Marilyn; son, Scott; and sister, Wanda.

A celebration of Pete's life will be held at Noon, Sunday, November 10, 2013 at Hamilton's on Westown Parkway, 3601 Westown Parkway in West Des Moines. Following the service Pete will be laid to rest at PleasantRidgeCemetery in Orilla, Iowa Visitation will occur Saturday from 3:00-6:00 p.m. also at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be directed to Shepard of the HillsLutheranChurch or Hospice of North Arkansas. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.HamiltonsFuneralHome.com](http://www.HamiltonsFuneralHome.com).

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There is also an obituary in the Des Moines Register, Friday, November 8, 2013, page 6B

## Military

His birth was on Aug 16, 1931 in Watertown, South Dakota. His height was 5' 8" with brown hair and blue eyes. His occupation before entering service was Hydraulic scraper operator for Don M. White Contractor, Des Moines, Iowa. He entered service on October 19, 1951 at Des Moines, Iowa during the Korean Conflict. His discharge was on October 6, 1953. His service number was 1228994. His selective service number was 13-78-31-273. His branch was USMC-SS as an aircraft engine mechanic and became a corporal on July 2, 1952. He earned a National Defense Service Medal. His discharge was MCAS, El Toro (Santa Ana), California.

Misc.

Celebrating the Life of

Darrell Eugene "Pete" Bickel  
August 16, 1931 ~ November 5, 2013

Officiating  
Pastor Mark Hufford

Musical Selections  
"Amazing Grace, My Chains are Broken"  
"Bridge Over Troubled Water"  
"My Way"

Pallbearers  
Jeff O'Neal, Jeff Bailey, Tim Bailey  
Jerry Hawxby, Casey Bickel, Matt Weaver

Honorary Pallbearers  
Denny Blackford, Louis Brose, Ken Hockmuth  
Chris Bailey, Joe Modde, Todd Heck

Burial – Orilla Cemetery, Orilla, Iowa

Verse:  
Dad I'll Miss You

There just doesn't seem  
to be any easy way to say good-bye,  
    We've shared so much life  
        and so much laughter  
    that it's really hard to imagine  
what things will be like without you.  
Yet, I'm grateful  
for the good times we've shared.  
For when I think of you,  
    as I so often will,  
    it's the memories of those times  
that will bring you right back to me.  
And those times,  
    those thoughts of you,  
will always stay in my mind  
    and in my heart.

Whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. John 3:15