



Leonard Oelmann

August 14, 1932 - August 30, 2021

Leonard Oelmann, 89, of Ackley, passed away Monday, August 30, 2021 at his home at Genesis Place in Ackley. Funeral services will be 10:30 AM Thursday, September 2, 2021 at the East Friesland Presbyterian Church, rural Ackley. He will be laid to rest at the church cemetery. Visitation will be from 5-7 PM on Wednesday, September 1 at the church. Woodley Funeral Home, LLC of Iowa Falls is caring for Leonard and his family.

Leonard Dale Oelmann was born on August 14, 1932 to Ernest and Florence (Jaspers) Oelmann. He attended country school through 8th grade and graduated from Ackley High School class of 1950. Following high school, he enlisted in the United States Air Force and served for four years.

Leonard was united in marriage to Marlene Dunlap in 1957. He farmed his entire life on the family farm. He took great pride and joy in being an Iowa farmer and had a strong work ethic. Leonard was a lifetime member of the East Friesland Presbyterian Church, he enjoyed singing in the choir and serving as elder, deacon and trustee. He served his community on the Ackley-Geneva school board, the Presbyterian Village Board of Directors, Grundy Mutual Insurance Board and was an active member of the Ackley Lions. Once work on the farm was done for the day, Leonard loved golfing and playing cards with friends, as well as attending sporting events. He was a devoted husband, father and grandfather who will be greatly missed.

Leonard Oelmann is survived by his beloved wife of 63 years, Marlene Oelmann of Ackley, Iowa; a daughter, Debra (Trent) Wentzien of Lincoln, Iowa; son, Brad (Connie) Oelmann of Ankeny, Iowa; four grandchildren: Harrison Tyler (Jordan) Wentzien, Erin Wentzien, Shelby Oelmann and Nicholas Oelmann; great-grandchildren, Stella and Hudson Wentzien; sisters, Myrle Lindaman and Anna Mae Tharp and sisters-in-law, Shirley Oelmann and Phyllis Dunlap. He was preceded in death by his parents; his siblings, Donald Oelmann and Darlene Gerdes; brothers-in-law: Lloyd Lindaman, Richard Gerdes, Russ Tharp, Darrell Dunlap and a granddaughter, Elizabeth Wentzien.

Those planning an expression of sympathy may wish to consider memorials to Care Initiatives Hospice, Grand JiVante or East Friesland Presbyterian Church.

Cemetery Details

East Friesland Cemetery

Ackley, IA

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 1. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

East Friesland Presbyterian Church
11121 150th Street
Ackley, IA 50601

Service

SEP 2. 10:30 AM (CT)

East Friesland Presbyterian Church
11121 150th Street
Ackley, IA 50601

Tribute Wall



“ *East Friesland Church*

Mary Jo Rameyer-Frieden

Mary Jo Frieden - November 19, 2024 at 09:24 AM



“ *My deepest sympathy to Shelby and her family. Grandparents are a special gem. They bring so much love, strength and history to a family. God Bless, my prayers are with all of you during this difficult time.*

Lisa Cardamone - September 01, 2021 at 05:50 PM



“ *Our sympathy to you an your family. Will miss Leonard at Legion breakfast. May God bless and keep you all.*

Marvin & Roberta Clawson - September 01, 2021 at 04:28 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Leonard Oelmann.*



September 01, 2021 at 12:17 PM

NT

“ *Nikki Russell & Alyssa Thompson purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Leonard Oelmann.*



Nikki Russell & Alyssa Thompson - September 01, 2021 at 11:11 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Leonard Oelmann.*



September 01, 2021 at 10:33 AM

JM

“ *Mom had so many fond Bridge Club memories. Thank you to you and Leonard for being part of my parents life. You are in our prayers. Julie Schultz Maass*

Julie Maass - September 01, 2021 at 08:41 AM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Leonard Oelmann.*



August 31, 2021 at 08:52 PM

DV

“ I am so sorry to hear of Leonard's passing. Welcome to the "widow's club" Marlene. No one wants to join it. It is so hard living without your best friend. God bless you. I'll be praying for you.

Darlene Vande Voort - August 31, 2021 at 08:11 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Leonard Oelmann.



August 31, 2021 at 07:10 PM

RR

“ Marlene. So sorry to read of Leonard's death. You have my deepest sympathy!
Ruby Robinson

Ruby Robinson - August 31, 2021 at 06:49 PM

TB

“ I have a somewhat curious mind and I teach high school kids genetics. I say that because at times I will meet people and wonder if they have a genetic defect. I have often wondered that about Leonard in that I wonder if his genetic defect did not allow him to stop smiling and laughing. From my earliest childhood memories to adulthood, I honestly never remember a moment with him when he was not smiling and laughing! Just being around him made me want to smile, you had to, it kind of rubbed off on ya'. I see that same quality in his granddaughter Erin. I just want you all to know that my memories of your husband, dad or grandpa are happy memories . He was and always will be a very special kind of guy to me that loved to laugh and make those around him laugh. I mean i know I am not that funny so my time with him where he made me smile was second nature to him. God's speed to you all and I will bet right now my dad and Leonard are having a lot of laughs catching up. God bless you all.

Tom Boheman - August 31, 2021 at 06:30 PM



Well said. I agree 100% Leonard was a great man

Diane Tegtmeyer - August 31, 2021 at 07:14 PM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Leonard Oelmann.



August 31, 2021 at 06:27 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Leonard Oelmann.*



August 31, 2021 at 05:47 PM



“ *Andy, Beth, Colleen and Gary purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Leonard Oelmann.*



Andy, Beth, Colleen and Gary - August 31, 2021 at 05:08 PM

DL

“ Leonard was my dad’s first cousin but felt more like an Uncle to me given his close relationship to my dad, Arnold, and my Uncle Warren. His parents lived across the street from my grandparents Jake and Esther in Ackley so I have fond memories of both of them. My brother Matt and I would be excited to run over there every time we visited to be welcomed by Aunt Flo’s smile and sit on the floor while Uncle Ern spun tales about the monkey that allegedly lived in the attic but had always just left to visit some exotic place just before we arrived. Leonard had the same twinkle in his eye and mischievous nature as his dad so it was extra special to share memories with him of those special days. Both Leonard and Marlene were always warm and engaging with me and brought us closer to the Oelmann side of our family. He was known for his smiles and jokes but he also had a serious side and would always share with me something thought provoking to reflect on later. I’ll miss him and certainly want to send my condolences to Marlene, Deb, Brad and his greater family.

*May He Rest in Peace,
David Arnold Lindaman*

David Lindaman - August 31, 2021 at 05:08 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Leonard Oelmann.



August 31, 2021 at 03:22 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Leonard Oelmann.



August 31, 2021 at 03:20 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden* was purchased for the family of Leonard Oelmann.



August 31, 2021 at 03:12 PM