



Melvin Eugene Friend

December 12, 1932 - June 11, 2014

Melvin Eugene Friend, age 81, a resident of Elk Falls, Kansas passed away Wednesday, June 11, 2014 at his home. He was born on December 12, 1932 in Howard, Kansas the son of Jesse Vern and Florence Louise (Armstrong) Friend. Melvin attended rural schools at Lower Paw Paw, Lima, Fairview and Fiatt and graduated from Howard High School.

After graduating high school Melvin enlisted in the United States Army and completed his basic training at Ft. Riley. After completing 25 plus years in the Army Reserves he retired in 1993. Melvin worked in the oilfields, and also was a road worker. On May 10, 1959, Melvin was united in marriage to Phyllis Lanning in Howard, Kansas. He was a member of the American Legion Ferguson Spease Post #388 in Moline, Kansas.

Melvin is survived by his wife Phyllis of the home, three daughters; Linda Majewski of Independence, Kansas, Laura Rivera of St. Cloud, Minnesota and Christina Friend of Elk Falls, Kansas, one son Melvin Friend, Jr. of Franklin, Kansas, one brother Harold Friend and one sister Louise Havens both of Winfield, Kansas, six grandchildren and numerous great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, one sister Phyllis Barber and one brother Arthur Friend.

Funeral services will be held at 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, June 17, 2014 at

Countryside Funeral Home with Pastor Mack Byard officiating. Visitation will be Monday from 6 to 8 p.m. at the funeral home. Interment will be at Elk Falls Cemetery. Memorials are suggested to the Cancer Center of Kansas in Independence or Harry Hynes Memorial Hospice and may be left with the funeral home. Online condolences www.countrysidefh.com. Arrangements are under the direction of Countryside Funeral Home in Howard, Kansas.

Cemetery Details

Elk Falls Cemetery

HWY 160
Elk Falls, KS 67345

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 16. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Countryside Funeral Home - Howard
206 E. Washington
P.O. Box 1233
Howard, KS 67349
(620) 374-2381

Service

JUN 17. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Steve Clark purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Melvin Eugene Friend.



Steve Clark - June 15, 2014 at 08:29 AM

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“ I am so sorry to hear of your loss. The loss of a parent is hard at any time. May the memories give you peace.

Scotty Zollars - June 13, 2014 at 08:14 PM



“ Flint Hills lit a candle in memory of Melvin Eugene Friend



Flint Hills - June 13, 2014 at 02:16 PM

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“ Doug Nickels lit a candle in memory of Melvin Eugene Friend



Doug Nickels - June 12, 2014 at 07:50 PM

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My condolences to Laura, Junior and Christine and all the family.

Doug Nickels - June 12, 2014 at 07:51 PM