



Vincent A. Nelson Jr.

January 9, 1947 - March 10, 2026

Vincent Alban Nelson, Jr., passed away Tuesday, March 10, 2026, at the Linn Nursing Center, he was 79. Vince was born on January 9, 1947, in Wichita, KS the son of Vincent Alban and Mildred May (Rusk) Nelson Sr. He grew up on the family farm, attending grade school in Severy and graduating from Howard High School in 1965.

A love of the sciences led him to study Biology at Emporia State University, while attending he met and married Patricia Fearn in June of 1968, they later divorced. In 1984, Vince married Lynn Brown, and they later divorced. In 1994, Vince married Patty (Grimmett) Salaymeh.

Vince retired from his “summer job” at Dolly Madison in 1995, where he had worked for 25 years. He returned to his home communities of Severy and Howard and helped his folks with the family farm.

Vince was generous and loved a good story. He was repository of wit and wisdom, which he would share with friends and strangers alike.

Vince is survived by:

Children:

Tushaun Portenier (Clayton) of Washington, KS

Jeremy Nelson (Erika) of San Fransico, CA

Rick Nelson of Drum Right, OK.

Mike Nelson of Chula Vista, CA
Bassem Salaymeh (Nikki) of Katy, TX
Timothy Salaymeh (Rebecca) of Topeka, KS

Grandchildren: Calvin, Garret, Hannah, and Emma Portiner

Vince was preceded in death by his parents, a sister Mary Ann, and his wife Patty.

Funeral service will be held on Wednesday, March 18, 2026, at 11:00 AM at Countryside Funeral Home in Howard, visitation will be held 1 hour prior to service time, with burial to follow at Cresco Cemetery. Memorials in his memory have been suggested to the Elk County Community Foundation and may be left with or mailed to the funeral home. Online condolences may be left at www.countrysidefh.com Services entrusted to Countryside Funeral Home 206 E. Washington, P.O. Box 1233, Howard, KS 67349

Cemetery Details

Cresco Cemetery

US HWY 99 & Rock Rd
Howard, KS 67349

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 18. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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

Service

MAR 18. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album Vincent Nelson



Countryside Funeral Home - March 24 at 12:39 PM

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“ Tashaun,

*I am saddened by the loss of my dear friend.
You are in my thoughts and prayers.
As he so lovingly called me,*

Senorita Rita



Rita Cornett - March 17 at 04:45 PM



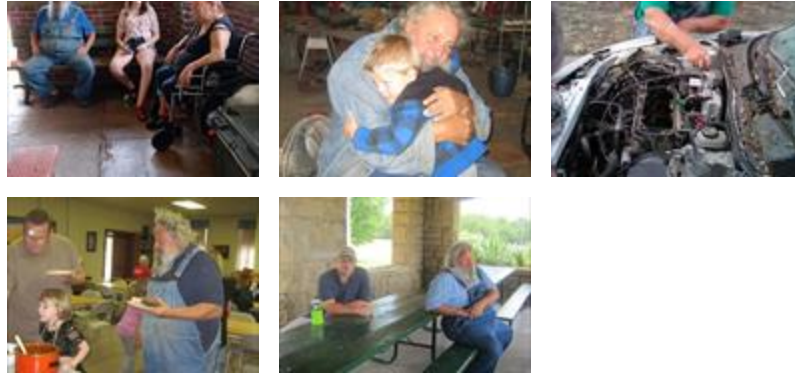
“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Vincent A. Nelson Jr..



March 16 at 08:12 AM

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“ *He will be missed by all. Rest in peace Mr. Nelson*



Tina Fish - March 13 at 04:18 PM

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“ *Vince was all heart. He drove the bus for many years always willing to help when someone was in need. Norma & Don Barkus*

norma barkus - March 13 at 09:37 AM

BN

“ *So sad your passing. Be with the Lord and rejoice in his care.*



Bob and Judy Nungesser - March 12 at 04:08 PM