



Robert L. Goodrich

December 10, 1927 - February 9, 2013

Robert L. Goodrich was born December 10, 1927 in Nelson, Nebraska. He passed away February 9, 2013. He was preceded in death by his wife Helen and grandson Coleman Ford. Bob is survived by son Darrell R. Goodrich of Morristown, TN; daughters Shirley Ann Ford of Waxahachie, TX and Melinda Petersen of Lenexa, KS; brother Don Goodrich of Grand Island, NE; sister Shirley Swanson of Superior, NE; grandchildren Stacey Stastny of Austin, TX, Aaron Ford of Pawtucket, RI, Amy Goodrich of Appleton, WI, Chad Goodrich of Maryland, Lindsey Ford of Austin, TX, April Doss of Thorndale, TX, Sarah Petersen of Lenexa, KS; step-grandchildren Josh Edwards of Spartanburg, SC, Mykayla Edwards of Morristown, TN; great grandchildren Brady Cox, Reilly Cox, Jake Stastny, Logan Stastny, Ella Ford, Sadie Ford, Nathaniel Goodrich.

Robert Goodrich was born in the small south central Nebraska town of Nelson in December of 1927; the fourth of six children. After a full life of 85 years he passed away in DeSoto, TX. As a young man he enjoyed playing football and basketball in high school. Upon graduation in 1946 he joined the army. As a construction equipment mechanic in the Armored Engineer Battalion, he served overseas in Italy. Before discharge from the army, Robert was assigned to the Graves Service

to accompany fallen soldiers home for burial. It was on one of these trips that he met Helen Coleman in Batesville, Arkansas and married her in April of 1949. They worked and raised their three children in Arizona, Kansas and Nebraska; living 43 of those years in Grand Island. Shortly after their 50th wedding anniversary in 1999, Helen passed away. In the following years Robert stayed busy- traveling to New England, Florida, Israel, and Alaska. He was active at the church in Grand Island till he moved to North Carolina in 2004, then in 2009 he moved to Waxahachie, Texas. Robert was a loving Dad, Grandpa, and Great Grandpa- always at the ready for his kids. He will be missed. We can all say, like great-grandson, Logan. "Good Job, Grandpa"

Tribute Wall



“ *Ann, We were saddened to hear of the passing of your father. We pray for God to comfort you and guide you safely to and from Nebraska.##imported-begin##Brenda Appleton##imported-end##*

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“ *he was a true american hero.i will never forget him..MAY GOD BLESS ALL OF HIS FAMILY##imported-begin##Greg Compton##imported-end##*

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“ *With love.##imported-begin##Lindsey Ford##imported-end##*

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