



Arthur C. "Art" Lux

January 4, 1929 - June 19, 2018

Arthur Clarence Lux was born on January 4, 1929 to Erwin F. and Margaret Treu Lux in Milford, Nebraska. He was the 7th of 9 children. He passed away in Geneva, Nebraska on June 19, 2018 at the age of 89.

Art had what he thought of as an idyllic childhood. Even though they may not have had much money, neither did anyone else. His riches came from his large family and his love of the outdoors. His days were filled with fishing on the Big Blue river, playing with his siblings and cousins, and talking to the hobos down by the railroad tracks. "On the last day of school, the shoes came off, and we didn't put them back on until the first day of school in the fall."

Following his father's untimely death, the family moved to Lincoln, where he graduated from Lincoln High School. It was also there that he met Alice Lanham. They courted for a period of time and were married on October 4, 1947. Three children were born to this union: Laurie Jean, Mary Jane, and Jeffrey Arthur.

The family moved to Geneva, Nebraska in 1960 when Art and Alice purchased the HiWay Lanes Bowling Alley. Following the sale of the bowling alley, Art engaged in a variety of occupations, including erecting pivots, working as a dispatcher for EIT in California, and owning the Geneva Gun Shop where he sold, built and repaired guns. He built numerous guns for his customers, and was proud to have built a gun for each of his children and each of his grandchildren. Never one to sit still for long, he brought a strong work ethic and the value of getting the job done right to every task.

For those who knew Art, they were well aware of his love of hunting and fishing and this love was transferred down to his grandchildren. Many of the family stories (while they may have been embellished over time) deal with hunting or fishing with Papa. And gatherings among his hunting buddies brought many hoots of laughter about these stories.

While his hunting and fishing exploits may be familiar to many people, they may not

realize that he had multi-faceted interests: he was a voracious reader, mostly of biographies and history; he loved to play poker and regular poker nights were much anticipated events; he was a geography buff and challenged his children to name a country that he didn't know; he enjoyed playing the stock market, and his beloved garden, where he tilled the soil, planted his seeds, and tended his plants to fruition. He did so not just to put food on the table, but also because of his joy in being out among nature and watching his garden grow. His many neighbors and friends benefitted from his garden produce as he placed it on the curb for anyone to take. He also was known for his pickles (Papa's pickles) that he made and also placed on the curb for others to enjoy. None of these lasted long.

For all of his many adventures and interests, the thing he loved most were the people who shared his life--his hunting, fishing, and poker buddies, his coworkers, and most importantly, his family members. His wife, children and grandchildren gave him great joy and he was proud and interested in all of them. He truly lived his life with the philosophy that it is not what you have in your life, but who you have that counts. Well done, Art, well done.

Art was preceded in death by his parents, Erwin and Margaret Lux, siblings and their spouses Edie and Forrest Moore, Marshall and Velma Lux, Lucille and Don Penterman, Shirley and Dick Peterson, Lois Lowe, Rolland Lux, and great granddaughter Mira McKnight. He is survived by his sisters Ruth Blanton and Betty Ballentine of California, brother-in-law Dick Lowe; his wife of 70 years, Alice Lux; children Laurie (Clinton) Kimbrough of Lincoln, NE, Mary (Rodger) Stofer, and Jeff (Sarah) Lux of Geneva, NE; grandchildren Jenny Anderson of Brush, Colorado, Mitchell (Michelle) McKnight of Baxter, IA, Mandy (Bryan) Bath of Edinburgh, Scotland; Cale (Emily) Kimbrough of Omaha, NE; Jon (Lisa) Stofer of Geneva, NE, Justin (Heather) Stofer and Keri (Mark) Cradduck of Gretna, NE; 17 great grandchildren and 1 great-great grandchild, numerous nieces and nephews and friends.

A Memorial Service for Art was held on Friday, June 22, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. at the United Methodist Church in Geneva, Nebraska. Pastor Michelle Gowin and Kim Dunker officiated the service. The recorded selections "The Prayer," "Amazing Grace," and "My Sweet Lord" were played during the service.

Honorary Pall Bearers for the service included Jennifer Anderson, Mitchell McKnight, Mandy Bath, Cale Kimbrough, Jon Stofer, Justin Stofer, and Keri Cradduck. Private family committal of ashes will take place in the Geneva Public Cemetery at a later date. Farmer & Son Funeral Home of Geneva conducted the services and online condolences can be

left at www.farmerandsonfuneralhome.com. Memorials are suggested to the family for future designation.

Comments



“ Marv & Bridgette Brummer sent a virtual gift in memory of Arthur C. "Art" Lux



Marv & Bridgette Brummer - June 24, 2018 at 09:39 PM



“ I had the privilege of being introduced to Art by his grandson, Mitch. Second only to my wife, Mitch is my best friend.

I took interest quickly in his basement and it spurred something in me. Years ago I told myself I'd build and refine things in the same interests as Art. Through time and a few career alterations, my daily work isn't much different than what I saw in Art's basement some 25 years ago now. I'm not sure that is coincidence.

It is funny how life shapes us. It may be more appropriate to say it is funny how people shape us. Life is beautiful and ugly, but how we respond and the method in which we're groomed to handle the bitter and the sweet, make a significant impact on our riposte. Take my friend Mitch for example. He is the beneficiary of people like Art who showed the continual interest in him that he now reciprocates onto others. I recall readily some of the stories Mitch has shared with me about his grand folks over our time as friends. I read some of what Mandy had to share about her grandpa the other day, and I can picture the kind of man that encourages the kids to play in the dampness of summer rain instead of running inside to turn on the television.

There are some people in life that you mourn in such a fashion that tears are the only appropriate response. Then there are others that provoke tears too, but not solely. Rather, a celebration of life in the truest sense. The gatherings inspire the sharing of stories, both of laughter and reverence. I've attended a few in my life such as this, and they continue to become rare.

I'm thankful I had the privilege of his handshake. I'm glad to know his daughter and his grandchildren, and his great grandchildren, for he left a mark on them that has translated into the better parts of the human spirit. Honor within a man like Art is self-evident.

With deep respect I thank you sir and my God bless your soul.

Michael Ware - June 22, 2018 at 05:16 PM



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Farmer & Son Funeral Home - June 22, 2018 at 12:07 PM



“ Don, Sylvia, Cole & Sydney Jividen lit a candle in memory of Arthur C. "Art" Lux



Don, Sylvia, Cole & Sydney Jividen - June 22, 2018 at 07:53 AM



“ Art was a wonderful man that touched the lives of everyone in our family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you Alice.

Don, Sylvia, Cole & Sydney Jividen

Don, Sylvia, Cole & Sydney Jividen - June 22, 2018 at 07:57 AM



“ I will always remember the days spent hunting the fields and the kinship afterwards in the gun shop. Those were wonderful years and my sorrow goes out to the family, but I am also sure he is peaceful knowing he was a part of the grand family.

Ron Jacobson - June 22, 2018 at 06:53 AM



“ They don't come any better than Art! He fixed more guns than I can count and was always interested in you when visiting with you. We had a great talk and lots of laughs last month which will be a cherished memory. There is no doubt that God is blessing Art Lux!!!

Larry Bornschlegl - June 21, 2018 at 07:44 PM



“ Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Arthur C. "Art" Lux.



June 21, 2018 at 11:14 AM



“ I remember a lot of memories of Art at the bowling alley from my childhood when my parents used to bowl! He also was an amazing gardener!! He will be missed.

Deb - June 21, 2018 at 02:59 AM



“ I only got to visit with Art a few times before God called him home. What a historian! Art was so proud of his family. My condolences to Alice and his family. May fond memories and God's promises comfort you in this difficult time. Margrett Wehland

Margrett Wehland - June 20, 2018 at 08:35 PM



“ Pat Braun lit a candle in memory of Arthur C. "Art" Lux



Pat Braun - June 20, 2018 at 01:40 PM



“ Rhonda Schlick lit a candle in memory of Arthur C. "Art" Lux





“ Mike And Virginia Johnson lit a candle in memory of Arthur C. "Art" Lux



Mike and Virginia Johnson - June 20, 2018 at 06:54 AM



“ Shannen Rocolle sent a virtual gift in memory of Arthur C. "Art" Lux



Shannen Rocolle - June 19, 2018 at 10:54 PM



“ Brenda Kronhofman sent a virtual gift in memory of Arthur C. "Art" Lux



Brenda Kronhofman - June 19, 2018 at 04:49 PM



“ Bob Bedlan lit a candle in memory of Arthur C. "Art" Lux





“ Steve & Barb Sadd lit a candle in memory of Arthur C. "Art" Lux



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