



Nelson H. Esselman

December 15, 1935 - April 9, 2022

Nelson H. Esselman, 86, of Topeka passed away on Saturday, April 9, 2022 at Mason District Hospital in Havana. He was born on December 15, 1935 to Herman and Florence (Holste) Esselman.

Nels is survived by a sister, Margaret (Ron) Esselman Trimpe, with whom he made his home the past 12 years. Also surviving are nieces, Vicki (Joe) Esselman Carr and Tricia (Vince) Trimpe Stehlin and nephews, Troy (Gina) Trimpe and Trevor (Dina) Trimpe. He was preceded in death by his parents, brother, Melvin, nephew, Tracey Trimpe, and daughter, Michelle.

Nels was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, American Legion, VFW, Irrigated Growers, and Ducks Unlimited. He served in the U.S. Army and retired from Caterpillar after 20 years. He also farmed and it was his pleasure to assist friends.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, April 13, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. at Hurley Funeral Home in Havana, with a visitation one hour prior to the service. Burial will follow the service at Laurel Hill Cemetery in Havana with Military Rites.

Memorial donations may be made in Nelson's name to the Havana Food Pantry, Mason District Hospital, St. Paul's Lutheran Church, or donor's choice. Online condolences can be left for his family at www.hurleyfh.com.

Hurley Funeral Home in Havana is in charge of arrangements.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 13. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Hurley Funeral Home - Havana
217 North Plum Street
P.O. Box #648
Havana, IL 62644
(309) 543-2244
<https://www.hurleyfh.com/>

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Nelson H. Esselman*

October 12, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ *Our condolences. Nellie was a great guy and will be missed.
Kent and Becky Gray*

Kent and Becky Gray - April 13, 2022 at 02:08 PM



“ *Sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers
are with you and your family 🙏*



Dan and Chris Wilson - April 12, 2022 at 09:24 PM



“ *Lloyd And Nancy Ingersoll lit a candle in
memory of Nelson H. Esselman*



Lloyd and Nancy Ingersoll - April 12, 2022 at 10:56 AM

TU

“ *Traci Unruh lit a candle in memory of Nelson H. Esselman*



Traci Unruh - April 12, 2022 at 10:36 AM

IL

“ *Prayers for the family RIP Nels.*



Illa - April 12, 2022 at 10:22 AM

NE

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with Nelson's family.*



Nancy Elliott - April 12, 2022 at 09:24 AM

DW

“ *Sorry for your loss Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family*

Dan and Chris Wilson - April 12, 2022 at 08:55 AM

KM

“ *Margaret and family,
We are so sorry to hear of Nelson's passing. He was a good friend
to us for many years. He will be missed!*
Steve and Kay Moehring

Kay Moehring - April 12, 2022 at 07:37 AM

LC

“ *Lanette Crum lit a candle in memory of
Nelson H. Esselman*



Lanette Crum - April 11, 2022 at 09:49 PM