



Henry A. Nixon

November 28, 1928 - September 12, 2020

Henry Alexander (“H.A.” or Alec) Nixon passed away on Saturday, September 12, 2020, at the age of 91.

Alec grew up in Wooldridge, MO, where hunting, fishing and trapping became a way of life he enjoyed into his upper 80’s. His many adventures in the outdoors were often the basis of the stories he loved to tell. His early education was at the Wooldridge School, until his freshman year, when he then attended Boonville High School, graduating in 1946.

Alec was a lifelong member of the Wooldridge Baptist Church, where he was installed as a Deacon and served as Sunday School Superintendent and music director for many years. He was “Uncle Alec” to many of the children around the neighborhood.

In 1948, he married Jacqueline A Richardson, “A Raven-Haired Beauty” in Wooldridge. As the Korean conflict developed, Alec enlisted in the United State Marine Corps in 1952 and served until 1954. Alec and Jackie’s daughter, Alexis, was born while they were stationed at Camp Pendleton, San Diego, CA. He was stationed in Korea and Japan as the head of an artillery team. His pride of service in the Marine Corps and for the United States lasted his lifetime.

After leaving the Marines, Alec returned to Wooldridge, and Jackie & Alec’s son, Van, was born. Alec began farming, purchasing a farm near Wooldridge, where he and Jackie lived until her passing in 2009.

Alec taught himself taxidermy, which he did for many years as both a hobby and a side occupation. He was a charter member of the Missouri Taxidermy Association, and a member of the Missouri Trappers Association, where he made many lifelong friends. Alec went on many hunting and fishing trips, including to South Dakota, Colorado, Nebraska, and Canada, and made new friends wherever he went. After Jackie retired as Postmaster of the Wooldridge Post Office, they did some camping, and traveling, and enjoyed fishing trips with their friends from Louisiana. Alec loved to read Zane Grey western novels, and

watch John Wayne movies. He was interested in a lot of things, but his favorite pastime was just getting together with friends and family and telling all of his stories.

Following Jackie's passing, Alec found a group that participated in dances around the Mid-Missouri area. It was through dancing that he met the second love of his life, Helen Turner. They spent many evenings at dances, enjoying each other's company and support.

Alec was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Jackie, sister in-law Marion Richardson Dye, and brother in-law David Richardson. He is survived by Helen Turner, his sister Jane Wissmann, daughter Alexis A Nixon (George Buck), son Van A Nixon (Barb), grandchildren Jesse Bowers (Tiffany), Kelly Carney, Jacob Nixon (Katharine), and Elizabeth Nixon, and three great grand-children, Lila, Jaxsen, and Jacqueline.

The family would like to thank the staff at Ashley Manor in Boonville for being a comfort to Dad in his last days when the family was unable to be close to him due to his isolation in these times of COVID-19.

A private service for family will be held at the Wooldridge Baptist Church with internment at the Wooldridge-Hopkins Family Cemetery in Wooldridge following. Memorial donations may be made to the Wooldridge-Hopkins Family Cemetery or to the Wooldridge Baptist Church.

Arrangements are under the direction of Parker-Millard Funeral Service and Crematory; 12 East Ash Street, Columbia, Missouri, 65203; (573) 449-4153. Condolences may be left online for the family at www.ParkerMillard.com

Cemetery

Wooldridge-Hopkins Family Cemetery

Wooldridge, MO,

Comments



“ Condolences to the families. I always loved to hear him sing. He had such a wonderful voice. You are all in my prayers! Judy Offield

Judy Offield - September 17 at 07:15 AM



“ Alec was my dad's best friend for most of each other's lives. Many stories came out their life experiences that we all enjoyed. He was a great uncle to all that become close and apart of his life. He will be missed by one and all. I know I will miss him greatly. Bye uncle Alec!!

Mark Friedrich - September 16 at 11:39 PM



“ My childhood memories of him and Jackie are so precious. They would pick me up every Sunday for church. He was a great man. Still called me kiddo every time I saw him. Heaven received a good one.

Lorrye Linhart - September 17 at 08:30 AM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Henry A. Nixon.



September 16 at 08:48 PM



“ Henry Alec was such a good person and will be missed by all that knew him. Growing up in Wooldridge, I have fond memories of him. He showed me my first up close raccoon while playing with Alexis at their house and was always so cheerful. He was kind to visit my father when he was failing. He liked to call my Dad "Herkel" and I'm sure they had many stories to tell about each other and the community. He was my neighbor for over 30 years and I have missed for awhile now his tractor and truck going past. Rest in peace, Alec.
My sincere condolences to the family,
Lynn Wooldridge Potter

Lynn Potter - September 16 at 07:00 PM



“ Van & Family, Pheasants! South Dakota! Henry really enjoyed that, and visiting with my Dad. I know the Ritter Ranch will forever remember Henry. My greatest sympathy for you, Sandy Ritter Husereaux, Franklin, Mo.

Sandy Husereaux - September 15 at 08:22 PM



“ Van, Alexa and Grandkids
I was so saddened to learn of your Dad's passing. We shared some good times together over the years from working in taxidermy to hunting and fishing.. He always was ready to put one over on you or had a quick witted saying. We hadn't been together for quite some time,, but he very often crossed my mind. He will be very sadly missed. Our sympathy, prayers and thoughts are with you.
Larry Hager

Larry Hager - September 15 at 06:09 PM



“ "Nixie", where do I start. We loved you so very much. You were such a wonderful friend and neighbor, and another Dad to us. We had such a wonderful time together, dancing and cutting up. You will be sorely missed. Debbie & Brent Hill

Debbie & Brent Hill - September 15 at 05:26 PM



“ My family had a farm in Wooldridge, so we've always felt very close to the Wooldridge community. Mr. NIXON's daughter was in my class throughout school, and we remain close to this day. My thoughts and prayers go out to his family. -Julie Selck Kammerich

Julie Kammerich - September 15 at 01:29 PM