



# **Arnold 'Arn' Fredrick Pilkenton**

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**A**rnold "Arn" Fredrick Pilkenton, age 92, formerly of Mystic, Iowa, passed away Sunday, November 25, 2018 at Manor Care Nursing Home in Cedar Rapids after a short illness.

Arn was born on May 24, 1926 in St. Louis, Missouri, the son of Snoden and Clara Pilkenton. Following high school, Arn proudly served his country in the United States Navy from 1944-1946 on the USS Alcyone, as a Boatswain Mate. He married Betty Murray in 1946. They were later divorced. He was united in marriage to Leah Jean (German) Ducey on June 24, 1961.

Following the Navy, Arn returned home to the farm. He started working at Cargill, where he was a Foreman and truck driver. He later became the superintendent of the Buffalo, Iowa Salt Terminal for 20 years. He loved to travel with his wife in their 5th wheel. They went all over the United States, one of their favorites was Jackson Hole, Wyoming.

Arn was a fantastic wood crafter, quilter, cross sticher, and a fisherman, who enjoyed playing cards and Turkey hunting. He was a member of the Masonic Temple and the Shriners. He will be missed by those who knew him best for his humor and orneriness.

Left to honor Arns memory are his daughter, Patti (Mark) Greve of Hiawatha; his son, Daniel (Lynn) Pilkenton of Hiawatha; a son in law, Jerry Vaillancourt; five grandchildren; and nine great grandchildren.

Arn was preceded in death by his wife, Leah J. Pilkenton; parents, Snoden and Clara Pilkenton; his daughter, Pamela Kay Vaillancourt; his sister and brother in law, Mary Jane (Howard) Smithiger; his brother and sister in law, Wayne (Nelda) Pilkenton; as well as several aunts and uncles.

A visitation will take place at Lange Funeral Home and Crematory, Saturday, December 1, 2018, with the family greeting friends from 1-3 PM. Burial will follow



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the visitation in the Highland Cemetery, Mystic. A memorial has been established to the Family of Arnold Pilkenton and may be mailed to Lange Funeral Home and Crematory, 1900 S.18th St., Centerville, Iowa, 52544. Condolences may be shared online at [www.langefh.com](http://www.langefh.com).

### Visitation

2018-12-01 13:00:00

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Lange Funeral Home & Crematory

1900 South 18th St

Centerville

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52544



## Tribute Wall

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**Thomas Funeral Home** posted:

October 21 at 12:23 PM



**Thomas Funeral Home** shared an album called **Obituary Wall**.



October 13 at 12:51 PM



**Rhonda** posted:

I would just like to thank you Arnie for making my childhood memories great!!! You always were amazing to me!!!!

November 27 at 7:00 PM



**Margrit** posted:

He was quite the character. I enjoyed my weekly visits with him and his wife. He was a different person after she passed away. RIP my friend

November 26 at 7:00 PM



**Tom** posted:

My thoughts are with the family of Arnold. May you find hope in the comforting words found in Acts 24:15.

November 26 at 7:00 PM



**John Huffman** posted:

My sympathy goes out to Arnold family. I knew him by coming into Easters when I worked there. He always was giving me a rough time. He ask me onetime when I was putting frozen food in the case if I knew what I was doing. I told him I've been trying to figure that out for a long time but haven't been able to come up with a good answer, Arnold really laugh at that, He was quite a character, John Huffman

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**Shannon Spears** posted:

Omg this made me so sad. He always came in Walmart and gave us girls such a hard time. He kept us on our toes. I'll never forget he told me one day Sis if I've never taught you anything over the years remember this....the sun will always come up the next day, the moon will come up every night, no matter what the problem is ALWAYS know, you to will always get back up. I'll miss you sir.

November 25 at 7:00 PM



**Judy Bates** lit a candle in honor of Arnold.

Lit a candle in memory of Arnold 'Arn' Fredrick Pilkenton

November 25 at 7:00 PM





## Media

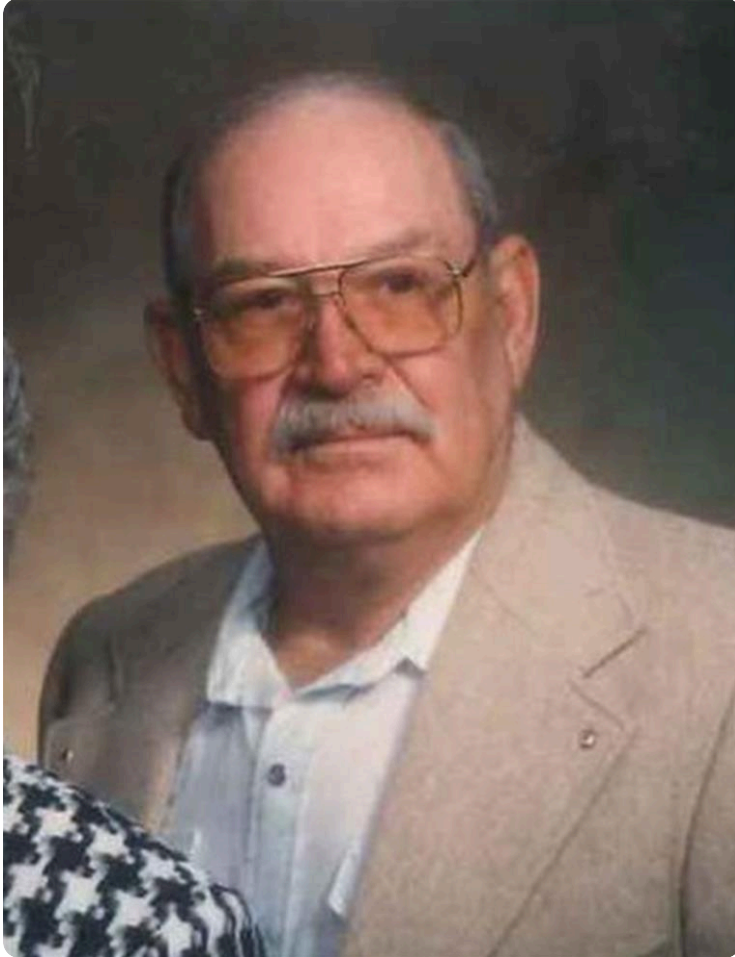
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