



Harold Olaf Nelson

November 14, 1933 - April 22, 2025

CW3 Harold Olaf Nelson, US Army Retired, died on April 22, 2025 in Woodbridge, Virginia.

He was born on November 14, 1933 in Eagle Grove, Iowa to Norman and Louise Nelson. He was raised and educated in the area of his birth. Harold entered the Iowa Army National Guard in 1952 and enlisted as active-duty US Army in 1957. In his 22 years of active duty, he served overseas in Panama, Korea, and Vietnam. His stateside assignments include Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri; Fort Ord California; Fort Wadsworth, New York; Fort Hancock, New Jersey and Fort Belvoir, Virginia. His final assignment before retirement was as a Project Officer, US Army Corps of Engineers.

Harold was preceded in death by his parents Norman Julius Johann Nelson and Louise Hansina (Nelson) Nelson, wife Betty Marilyn (Hartke - Paulson) Nelson, son Harold Olaf Nelson, Jr., sisters Iline Margaret (Nelson) Sullivan, Dorothy Olga (Nelson) Sherman, Esther Louise (Nelson) Keith and Ruth Elizabeth (Nelson) Rasmussen Eudy and brother Robert Eugene Nelson.

Harold is survived by numerous nieces and nephews along with Betty's daughters whom he adopted, Bonnie Miller and Alice Paulson Nelson and their children Timothy, Kirsten, Adam and Charles.

Interment will be held privately on a later date. Arrangements by Jefferson

Funeral Chapel.