



Don Chilcote

October 21, 1934 - April 10, 2023

Don Chilcote, 88, of Belle Plaine, passed away Monday, April 10, 2023, at Belle Plaine Specialty Care.

Don William Chilcote, son of William Perry and Bessie (Edwards) Chilcote, was born on October 21, 1934, at his parents' rural home near Eveland Access in Mahaska County, Iowa. He attended country school and was a 1955 graduate of Oskaloosa High School. He studied auto body repair in high school and used that skill to work part-time while in school. On October 21, 1955, his 21st birthday, he married Edna Mae Roovaart at the First Christian Church in Oskaloosa. In 1956, the newlyweds, Don's parents, and brothers all moved to Benton County near Belle Plaine to farm. In February 1957, Don was inducted into the Army; he served two years and then returned to Belle Plaine to continue farming with his parents and brothers. Later in his life, Don and Edna became over-the-road truck drivers together. They traveled all over the lower 48 states and Canada and hauled every imaginable cargo.

Don was a talented individual with skills in carpentry and bricklaying. He built the log home where Edna still resides. He built his grandchildren a playhouse and also helped others with their carpentry and refinishing skills. Don also earned his pilot's license and flew recreationally for many years. Don attended the New Life Evangelical Free Church in Tama.

His family includes his wife, Edna of Belle Plain; his son, William (Susie) Chilcote of Oskaloosa; four grandchildren: Reuben, Oliver, Silas, and Clara; sisters: Violet (Bob) Jones of Oskaloosa and Virginia (Todd) Harp of Moravia;

brothers: Harry (Jean) Chilcote of Belle Plaine and Charles Chilcote (Dave Ohlson) of Panama, Florida; and a sister-in-law, Beverly Chilcote of Oskaloosa.

In addition to his parents, Don was preceded in death by a brother, Dale, and sisters: Catherine Havener and Helen Towns, and a brother-in-law, Tom Havener.

Funeral services for Don will be held at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, April 15, 2023, at Langkamp Funeral Chapel, with Rev. Steve Brant of the New Life Evangelical Free Church officiating. Burial will be in Forest Cemetery. Visitation will begin at 11 a.m., Friday; the family will greet visitors from 4-6 p.m. Memorial contributions can be made to New Life Evangelical Free Church.

Cemetery Details

Forest Cemetery

934 North 9th ST
Oskaloosa, IA 52577
secretary@forestcemetery.com
<http://www.forestcemetery.org/>

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **14**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Langkamp Funeral Chapel & Crematory
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Tribute Wall



“ *Don Chilcote*

October 05, 2023 at 11:57 PM



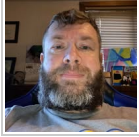
“ *Edna and family, I just learned of Don's passing. I am so sorry for your loss and sorry to have missed the opportunity to see family. I have lots of memories going way back to the farm on the river. I remember going with Mom and Dad to Colorado to visit you when Don was in the military. Love to you and your family. Donna (Malin) Arendt*

Donna Arendt - April 28, 2023 at 11:20 AM

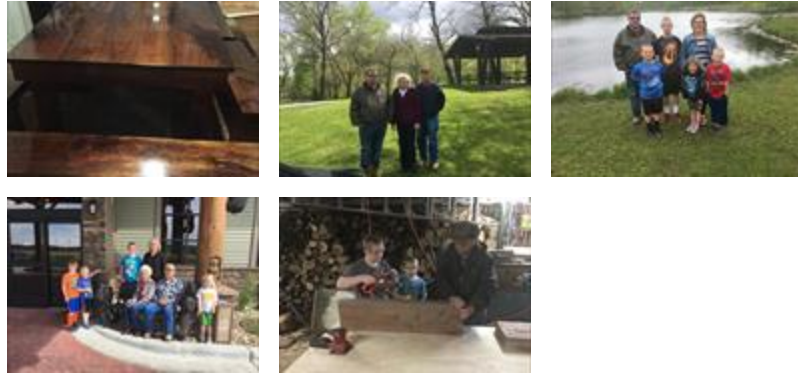


“ *Don you were a very special cousin and going trucking with you guys was awesome. I am the daughter of Cliff and Norm Chilcote. My name is Annie Chilcote-Carkhuff. I am so sorry for your loss Edna if you need any help at all call me anytime. (319-444-0014). I feel your pain because my dad and mom are gone in heaven together finally. Sometimes life doesn't seem fair but we hope God knows best. Love you Edna*

Annie Chilcote-Carkhuff - April 22, 2023 at 08:10 PM



“ 22 files added to the album Chilcote



William Chilcote - April 13, 2023 at 02:40 PM



“ The rest of our message should say , Heaven has gained a true angel and this world has lost a true Jewel. Hugs and love to you all. Gerry and Marge

Gerry and Marge Bergert - April 11, 2023 at 09:19 PM



“ Edna, William ,Susie and family, Our hearts are aching for you all as you go through this heartache. Don touched all our lives with his kindness and laughter. Heaven has gain. Gerry and Marge Bergert



Gerry and Marge Bergert - April 11, 2023 at 09:14 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to you, Edna and family. Don was a very special guy and will be greatly missed. May God be with you at this time. Always, Jay & Tammy Woodward. (Beverly's niece)

Tammy Woodward - April 11, 2023 at 04:10 PM

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“ *Our hearts go out to you Edna, William and family. Don was a wonderful man, loved by many. I have fond memories of him. We hold you up in prayer at this difficult time. Roger and Becky Moore (Beverly's sister)*

Becky Moore - April 11, 2023 at 02:04 PM