

## LeRoy Miller, 81 ✓

April 27, 1934 - April 27, 2015

**BENNINGTON, NE** —

LeRoy Otto Miller was born on April 27, 1934 to Otto and Annie (Steckelberg) Miller in Mannilla. He attended school in Mannilla, graduating with the Class of 1952. After high school, he worked for Alfred Nielsen in Defiance and at Sparky's Gas Station in Harlan.



May 20, 1956, LeRoy was united in marriage to Sandra Lacy. They became parents to three children: Kimberly, Dirk, and Mardy. LeRoy worked for Neil Kenkel, Western Iowa Pork, and Ahrenholtz Fertilizer before going to work in the Waste Water Plant for the City of Harlan in 1975. He worked there for twenty-four years until his retirement in 1999. LeRoy loved being with his family, going on camping trips, and watching the grandchildren and great-grandchildren play sports. "Pa", as the daycare kids liked to call him, enjoyed coming home on his lunch breaks and spending time with them. He was a big fan of relaxing in his easy chair while reading a book or watching a western. He also loved dancing with Sandy and is now dancing with her again. LeRoy and Sandy moved to Bennington, NE after his retirement where he worked at the Bennington Kids Club and the Bennington All-Stars after school program. After Sandy's death in 2012, LeRoy continued living in Bennington near his daughter until his death on Monday, April 27, 2015 - his eighty-first birthday.

Besides his wife, LeRoy was preceded in death by his parents and his brother Melvin. He is survived by his daughter Kimberly and her husband Perry Elmore of Bennington, NE; sons Dirk Miller and his wife Marleen of Harlan and Mardy Miller and his wife Danine also of Harlan; thirteen grandchildren; thirty great-grandchildren; sister Viola Steckelberg of Denison; sister-in-law Wava Lorenzen of Manning; brother-in-law Don Lacy and his wife Janine of Missouri; other family members and friends.

Pastor Bruce Davis officiated the 11:00 a.m. funeral service on Friday, May 1, 2015 at Pauley Jones Funeral Home in Harlan. Honorary casket bearers were Matthew Miller, Brandon White, Ethan Crowley, Jacob Miller, and Cody White. Inurnment was held at the Harlan Cemetery.

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