



## Donald Eugene Mikkelsen

August 19, 1934 - November 1, 2015

Donald E. Mikkelsen (1934-2015)

WATERLOO- Donald E. Mikkelsen, 81, of Waterloo died Sunday, November 1, 2015 at Covenant Hospital in Waterloo.

He was born August 19, 1934, in Cedar Falls, son of Lindhardt and Edna (Mohler) Mikkelsen. He married Janet Schroeder on February 14, 1960 in Waterloo and they later divorced. He married Iva Jean Conaway on March 16, 1991 in Strawberry Point. She died July 30, 2010.

He served in the US Army from 1956 to 1959 and was a livestock feed salesman, retiring in 2008.

Survived by: a son, Jeff (Denise) Mikkelsen of Indianapolis, IN; daughter, Rochelle McAninch of Des Moines; three stepsons, Steve (Deb) Conaway of Waterloo, Shawn (Shannon) Conaway of Independence, and Shannon (Robin) Conaway of Waterloo; stepdaughter, Shellie (Jim) Nerison of Waterloo; four grandchildren; four great grandchildren; and a brother, Larry Mikkelsen of Waterloo.

Preceded in death by: a brother, Loren Alfred Mikkelsen and a sister, Lynda Jean Grapp.

Services: 10:30 a.m. Friday at the Richardson Funeral Service with visitation for one hour prior to the service. Military honors will be conducted by the Cedar Falls AMVETS Post 49 Honor Guard.

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

NOV 6. 10:30 AM (CT)

Richardson Funeral Service  
615 Main Street  
Cedar Falls, IA 50613  
(319) 266-3525  
richardsonfuneralservice@gmail.com  
<http://richardson.funeralplan2.com>

## Military Honors

NOV 6. 11:15 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Thank you for asking the Cedar Falls AMVETS Post #49 Honor Guard to conduct full military rites for Donald's funeral today. It was our privilege to honor his military service.  
Cedar Falls AMVETS Post #49 Honor Guard

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**Cedar Falls AMVETS Post #49** - November 06, 2015 at 01:19 PM



“ Here in Indianapolis, we are all thinking of you and your family at this time.

So sorry for your loss,

Laura Sexson

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**Laura Sexson** - November 05, 2015 at 07:17 PM

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“ Brian And Brittany lit a candle in memory of Donald Eugene Mikkelsen



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**Brian and Brittany** - November 03, 2015 at 08:39 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald Eugene Mikkelsen.*



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November 03, 2015 at 06:11 PM



“ *My dad, Lynn Mohler hesitated to let me go to college in 1933. He said, “Dick without you, I will have to give up farming.” I said, “Dad, sister Edna will be here to help you farm.” My sister Edna and Lindhardt Mikkesen, Donald’s parents married that year. Donald was born the following year 1934. When Donald was 2, I visited my sister Edna’s home. While she was feeding us breakfast, Donald would take spoons of oatmeal and with perfect aim they would land on my head. Edna admonished Donald, “If you do that again you will be in big trouble.” Donald did it again. Since then I have washed my face, and forgiven little Donald. I am saddened at the death of my nephew Donald Mikkelsen. God Bless in you journey to be with your wife, and parents.*

*Uncle Dick Mohler*

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**Richard Mohler** - November 03, 2015 at 11:19 AM



“ *I remember riding to Des Moines with my mom and Uncle Don a lot when I was young to go see my uncle Loren and cousin Shelly. Don would tell my mom and I to cover our eyes and enjoy the ride and not to complain about his driving! My mom and him would call each other many times throughout the Iowa Hawkeye basketball games and get so excited about those games!!*



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**Lisa Grapp Orsborn** - November 02, 2015 at 09:27 PM



“ *I remember thanksgiving and christmas at Grandma Mikkelsen's. He always has scotch and White Owl cigars. He will be forever the toughest SOB i have known. He had a tough exterior, but was always a loving uncle.*

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**Doug Rose** - November 02, 2015 at 08:57 PM