



Melvin Franklin Tibbetts

November 14, 1930 - March 7, 2014

CEDAR FALLS-Melvin F. Tibbetts, 83, of Cedar Falls, died Friday, March 7, 2014 at his home in Cedar Falls.

He was born November 14, 1930, in Peterson, Iowa, the son of Harold B. and Gladys B. Fields Tibbetts. He married Marilyn Snow and later divorced. He then married Nancy Anders Husome in 1991.

Mel graduated from LaPorte City High School and received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Iowa State University. He served his country in the United States Air Force during the Korean Conflict. He was employed as a salesman, welder, and later store manager with Superior Welding for 30 years, retiring in 1992.

Survived by: his wife of Cedar Falls; three daughters, Kristen (Bob) Engelmann, Karen (Wayne) Eckhoff, and Linda (Dennis) Frisbey, all of Waterloo; step-son, Tony Husome of Cedar Falls; three step-daughters, Penny Bentley, Jody (Cal) Grittman, and Chris (Jeff) Paulson, all of Cedar Falls; eight grandchildren; seven step grandchildren; twelve great grandchildren; and three sisters, Bonnie Tibbetts and Beverly (George) Huntbach, both of Waterloo, and Virginia (Harold) Smith of Woodbridge, VA. Preceded in death by two sisters, Betty Torner and Donna Hurley.

Services are scheduled for 11:00 a.m. Thursday, March 13, 2014 at Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, with interment in the Garden of Memories, both in Waterloo. Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Richardson Funeral Service in Cedar Falls and also one hour prior to the services at the

church. Online condolence may be left at www.richardsonfuneralservice.com
Memorial contributions may be directed to the Cedar Bend Humane Society or
the Cedar Valley Dialysis DaVita Unit.

Cemetery Details

Garden of Memories

Waterloo, IA
(319) 233-6136

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 12. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

Service

MAR 13. 11:00 AM (CT)

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church
810 Kimball Ave.
Waterloo, IA 50702

Tribute Wall

JP

“) No heart breaks alone for God is always near. When a prayer is whispered God is always there to hear. When sorrow's overwhelming, He comforts tenderly. A single tear never falls that he does not hear(Psalms 65:2) -

Jeff & Peggy - March 17, 2014 at 03:00 PM

TH

“ Thank you for asking the Cedar Falls AMVETS Post Honor Guard to perform full military rights today at Mel's burial service. It was our honor and privilege to be there with you.
Tom Hagarty Cedar Falls AMVETS Post #49
Honor Guard

Tom Hagarty - March 13, 2014 at 02:16 PM

KE

Thank you for Honoring Dad, My son Joe currently is stationed in San Diego and I filmed the rights so he could be included. It meant so very much to our Family.

Karen Eckhoff - March 13, 2014 at 10:24 PM

RJ

“ So sorry to hear this nancy. Thinking of you and your family in the times ahead. Our Father Loves You beyond all understanding, lean into him for comfort and strength.
RAEJEAN

raejean jeffries - March 12, 2014 at 07:02 PM

KE

“ Karen Eckhoff lit a candle in memory of
Melvin Franklin Tibbetts



Karen Eckhoff - March 12, 2014 at 02:40 PM

EI

“ Sympathy to Nancy and Penny,,keeping you in thought and prayers.
Eileen

Eileen - March 11, 2014 at 09:12 PM

KE

Nancy, Penny and Family thank you for your thoughts.

Karen Eckhoff - March 12, 2014 at 02:37 PM

AK

“ I think of Mel and smile, one of the best guys I have ever met! He
made working at SWS fun. I loved the guy!

Annie

Annie Kacher - March 11, 2014 at 08:19 PM

KE

*Annie,
Dad just thought you were the best, thanks and we Love You too*

Karen Eckhoff - March 12, 2014 at 02:39 PM

SM

“ *Mel was an asset to our family and will be missed, but always be remembered-he loved family reunions and it was always great to share that. Mel was my Uncle and it was always great to be around him---*Sue McDowell



Sue McDowell - March 10, 2014 at 09:25 PM

KE

Thank you Sue

Karen Eckhoff - March 12, 2014 at 02:41 PM

ML

“ *Our sympathy to Nancy and Family. We will miss Mel at the lanes. Maple Lanes Bowling Center staff and Friends*

Maple Lanes - March 10, 2014 at 10:13 AM

KE

Thank you so much, Mel loved Bowling.

Karen Eckhoff - March 12, 2014 at 02:39 PM