



Nixon Wilson

May 20, 1930 - December 7, 2011

Nixon A. Wilson (1930-2011)

CEDAR FALLS- Nixon A. Wilson, 81, of Cedar Falls died Wednesday, December 7, 2011, at the Cedar Valley Hospice Home in Waterloo.

He was born May 20, 1930 in Litchfield, Illinois, son of Benezette and Adrian (Barnes) Wilson. He married Nell Hines on June 15, 1963 in Louisville, Kentucky.

Mr. Wilson served in US Army during the Korean Conflict. He earned his AB degree from Earlham College in 1952, Masters in Wilderness Management in 1954 from the University of Michigan and his Ph.D. from Purdue University in 1961. He was an Ecologist with the Hawaii State Department of Health in the Plague Research Unit from 1961 to 1962; Acarologist at the Bernice P. Bishop Museum in Honolulu from 1962 to 1969, and then employed as a Professor with UNI from 1969 to 1997, where he received the Distinguished Scholar Award in 1991, McKay Award in 1992, and the Regent's Award for Faculty Excellence in 1993.

Survived by: his wife, Nell of Cedar Falls; two sons, Stephen (Sarah) of Eagle River, AK, and David (Katy) of Kansas City, MO; three grandchildren, Helen Rachel, Claudia Renee, and Stewart Shelby Wilson; and a sister, Marianne

Hocker of Jacksonville, FL.

Memorial services will be held 11:00 a.m. Saturday at Cedar Heights Baptist Church in Cedar Falls with burial at a later date in Clear Creek Cemetery, Richmond, IN. There will be no public visitation.

Memorials may be directed to the church or Cedar Valley Hospice.

Tribute Wall

AJ

“ Dear Nell & family, We are sorry to hear of the death of your dear husband/father. May our Lord give you His strength and peace during the coming days.

Alice Janssen - March 29, 2013 at 02:49 PM

RH

“ Nixon A. Wilson Family,
Much sadness to hear of Nixon's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.
Heaven indeed now has a new Angel.

Robert G. Hansen - March 29, 2013 at 02:49 PM

JM

“ When Lyme Disease became a public health concern, Dr. Wilson became my main source of information about ticks and tick behavior. He was always patient and willing to share his knowledge to that I could pass it on to the many citizens who were concerned about this emerging disease. I am truly thankful that Dr. Wilson was there when we needed him

Jon McNamee - March 29, 2013 at 02:49 PM

DL

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you Nell and your family. Love to you all.

Deb Lewis - March 29, 2013 at 02:49 PM

MD

“ Thinking of you and your family Nell with thoughts and prayers.
Love and sympathy to all of you.
Mary Jo Dirks

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RD

“ My deepest sympathy and love to you and yours.

Ron Dreesman

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“ My thoughts and prayers will be with you, and your family as well.

In Sympathy,
Anne Manifold (Dreesman)

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BB

“ I am very sorry for your loss.
My favorite memories of Nixon when I worked as Dept. Secretary
from 1976-1981 include the times when people brought their "bats"
to the office. I would call dear Nixon and he would graciously come
up from the BRC to the main office, get the bat out of the jar and
stick it in his pants pocket. :)

Bev Bauer - March 29, 2013 at 02:49 PM

LB

“ *Nell, I am so sorry to hear of the death of your husband. He clearly had an interesting and adventuresome life.*

*Sincerely,
Lynn*

Lynn Blair-Broeker - March 29, 2013 at 02:49 PM

MS

“ *I will never forget the kindness that I shared with Nixon Wilson. We worked in the Lab together, and he would ask my help with machine repair and fabrication of small parts made of steel. My education is now more broad, due to collection methods I have developed with Nixon Wilson as my Teacher. I will think of Him often and with Great Respect and Love.*

Highest Regards,

*Michael A. Schulz
Custodian - Biology Research
University of Northern Iowa*

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