



## Ray "Pete" Wilson

May 30, 1921 - March 12, 2019

Ray Gene "Pete" Wilson, 97, of Cedar Falls, Iowa, formerly of New Mexico, died Tuesday, March 12, 2019 at NewAldaya Lifescapes in Cedar Falls.

He was born May 30, 1921 in Trenton, Texas, son of Alfred C. and Edna Jo (Watson) Wilson. On February 7, 1942, he was united in marriage to Oleta Norris in Durant, Oklahoma. Oleta preceded him in death on August 5, 2012.

Ray worked as a machinist with ACF and then GE, retiring in 1988.

He is survived by one daughter, Janette (Wayne) Kohls of Cedar Falls; three grandchildren: Paul (Angie) Kohls of Waterloo, IA, Vickie Rocarek of Cedar Rapids, IA, and Rebecca (Andy) Green of Independence, IA; nine great-grandchildren: Jason Kohls, Stephanie Kohls, Kasandra Rocarek, John Rocarek, Sarah Rocarek, Tayt Johnson, Morgan Kohls, Jordan Green and Dylan Green; and one great-great grandson, Lorenzo Floyd.

Ray was preceded in death by his parents; his wife; and a sister, Sue Scott.

Burial will occur in Cedarlawn Memorial Park in Sherman, Texas.

Memorials may be directed to the family.

# Tribute Wall

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“ I am so very saddened to learn of his passing! I would Ride over in my wheelchair to see him during the summer months when we were both outside. My daughter was welcomed in his home on several occasions when she took Christmas "treats" over. He dearly loved and missed his wife, whom I never got to meet. "Pete" would tell me of their travels, the rocks they gathered on trips. He would reminisce of how he worked on his own vehicles , life growing up on the farm and told of moving to Cedar Falls from a much warmer climate. Even drove himself "back home" once to visit. (At age 93, I believe). A truly remarkable man with such love. He will be missed for a long, long time!

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