



Allen Fred Haines

August 28, 1937 - March 11, 2023

NELIGH -- Funeral service for Allen F. Haines, 85, of Neligh will be held at 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, March 15, 2023 at Stonacek Funeral Chapel in Norfolk. Reverend John Nelson will be officiating the service. Interment will take place at Prospect View Cemetery, rural Pierce. Visitation will be held from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 14, 2023 also at the funeral home in Norfolk. Allen passed away on Saturday, March 11, 2023 at his home in Neligh. Stonacek Funeral Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.

Allen was born on August 28, 1937 in Winside, Nebraska to Fred and Verna (Spinden) Haines. He attended elementary schools in Winside, Wayne, and Norfolk before graduating from Norfolk High School in 1956. Growing up his strong work ethic started at the age of 10, where he was a golf caddy riding his bike to and from the golf course. At age 12 he started working in the produce department at Harmel's grocery store in Norfolk and at age 16 he began working in the meat department. In December of 1959 he took a job as a meat cutter at German's Market in Pierce. On December 29, 1957 he married Shirlene Bergerson in Yankton, South Dakota. In 1968 they moved to Neligh and he opened Al's Thriftway, where he owned and operated his business until his retirement in 1993. In his younger years Allen enjoyed fishing at Merritt Reservoir with his dad and friends. Golf became his passion and a huge part of his life. In his 85 years, he had 11 holes in one and was an 8-time champion at the Sunland Village in Mesa, AZ. He loved spending time

with his family.

Survivors include his daughter Debra (Dan) Baum of Elgin, significant other and special friend of 29 years Jan Judy of Neligh, granddaughters Carissa Helzer of Wakefield and Ashley (Ryan) Bergman of Orchard, great-grandchildren; Destiny and Tristian Helzer of Wakefield, and Braelyn, Makenna, Brantley and Huxton Bergman of Orchard, brother Len (Diane) Haines of Fremont. He was preceded in death by his wife Shirlene, son Perry, parents Fred and Verna, grandparents Walter and Cora Spinden and sister Phyllis Gardner.

Casket bearers will be Len Haines, Dan Baum, Ryan Bergman, Denny Francis, Terry Beck and Allan Marsh. Honorary casket bearers will be Destiny Helzer, Tristian Helzer, Braelyn Bergman, Makenna Bergman, Brantley Bergman and Huxton Bergman. Condolences may be expressed to the family on-line at www.stonacekfuneralchapel.com.

Cemetery Details

Prospect View Cemetery - Rural Pierce

Pierce, NE

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR **14**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Stonacek Funeral Chapel - Norfolk
1200 N.13th St.
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Funeral Service

MAR **15**. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Allen Fred Haines*

October 05, 2023 at 03:46 AM



“ *I worked with Al at Harmel's Thrifty Way in 1965-66 while in high school. He taught me a lot and we were good friends. I am sorry to hear Al passed away. My condolences to the family. Rodney Jones - Sioux Falls, SD rljones1@aol.com*

Rodney Jones - March 24, 2023 at 04:29 PM



“ *I played some golf with Al, I also sold his store beer when I owned Pile Distributing Co. He was a kind gentleman, hard worker & old school. It was my pleasure to know him! He will be missed!*
John Pile

John Pile - March 14, 2023 at 09:43 AM



“ *Will miss all the good times we had playing golf RIP my friend.*

Dennis Shipley - March 13, 2023 at 08:31 PM



“ *RIP Al...I've enjoyed knowing you!*
Bill Widhalm

Bill Widhalm - March 12, 2023 at 10:13 PM

TB

I played many, many rounds of golf with Al. Even though I was already in my 50's I was still learning. Al was always free with advice when you asked for some. Al was my golf mentor in many ways. Did I mention, he was one of the better golfers in northeast Nebraska. He used to re-grip my clubs, and install new shafts for me. When I wanted to learn how to do my own work he gladly taught me how. Al was well known all over northeast Nebraska and southeast South Dakota for his golf excellence. He won many, many Senior Tournaments. It was my good fortune to be able to play in some of the Senior Tournaments with him. On the back of Al's excellent play and just a little help from me, we came home with 1st place money in our pockets after many of those Tournys. What great, great memories I have of our time together. I will miss him dearly. Al, go with God now and remember, let him win once in a while.

Terry Beck - March 14, 2023 at 04:19 PM

AB



Ashley Bergman - March 15, 2023 at 08:53 PM

CN

I knew Al for many decades long ago. I did not know he lived in Mesa Az. My family moved to Mesa in 1985. Al's family and Delmar Eggers family were friends and that's how I met his family. Small world. My deepest sympathies to his family.

Coleen Neujahr - March 19, 2023 at 06:00 PM

CN

We were from Tilden. Al I would have known you anywhere.

Coleen Neujahr - March 19, 2023 at 06:03 PM