



Barney G. Nettleton

August 8, 1925 - June 19, 2012

Barney George Nettleton, age 86, of Pickford, Michigan was called home to his Lord and Savior Tuesday evening, June 19, 2012 from Mackinac Straits Hospital in St. Ignace, Michigan. Barney was born on August 8, 1925 in Pickford, Michigan at home, the son of the late Samuel and Laura (Blair) Nettleton. He married Marjorie Kamper on October 15, 1947 at her parent's home in a double ceremony with Marjorie's sister, Gertrude marrying Barney's brother, Glenn. Barney grew up on a farm in Pickford. He was the youngest of seven children. When he was growing up he went to school, worked in the woods, and helped around the farm. He went into the Army at the age of 18 and served his country in WWII where he fought in the Battle of Hurtgen Forest. Barney lived in Minnesota for 10 years where he worked for a coffee company. He then moved back to Michigan and worked for Cedarville Quarry until retiring at the age of 62. He then went back to work for the Chippewa County court system as a supervisor of the inmates on work release. He also cut firewood and built a cabin in his 80's with the help of many friends and family. Barney was dedicated to his family and his Church. He loved to help people, and when he could no longer do the things he wanted to do, he had a way of gently persuading others to help. He always had a story to tell or a joke to share like: "Why do golfers wear two pair of pants? In case they get a hole in one." He told this joke for months, until he was finally asked "Do you know what a hole in one is?" He replied, "No", and laughed. He was a member of Northhills Baptist Church, Hessel VFW, American Legion, and the Pickford

Lions Club. Barney is survived by 7 children: Loreen (Ron) Case of Bemidji, MN; Rodney (Chris) Nettleton of Holt, MI; Stanley (Joanie) Nettleton of Travers Rest, SC; Jane Duschen of Lockport, NY; Joyce (Cesar) Hernandez of Stillwater, MN; Samuel (Jan) Nettleton of Dafter, MI; and Russel David Nettleton of Pickford, MI; 12 grandchildren: Brett (Lynn) Case, Chuck Case, Tim (Betsy) Nettleton, Tony (Kayoko) Nettleton, Tabitha (Chuck) Newell, Stanley V. (Ashly) Nettleton, Tina (Jason) Green, Danielle (Dennie) Jarrell, Zoe Hernandez, Sam (Paula) Nettleton, Amanda Nettleton, and Jeremiah Nettleton; 23 great-grandchildren Merceades, Cody and Brittney Case; Corrinne and William Nettleton; Joey Barney, Billy, and Donnie Newell; Johannah and Noah Nettleton, Taylor, James, and Alexis Green; Drake, Darrell, and Dakota Jarrell; Jennie Nettleton, Wade Thibert, Tyler Breeden, and Bradley Lawless; Marcus and Carley Nettleton and Sebastian Patterson; and 2 great-great grandsons: Jake Newell and Levi Parr; brothers-in-law: Art Stejskal, and Virgil Ball; sisters-in-law: Hazel Nettleton, and Margaret Kamper He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife: Marjorie Nettleton; an infant grandson: Lucas Nettleton; brothers: Russell, Harry, and Glenn Nettleton; and sisters: Mary Anderson, Eva Anderson, and Edna Bawks. A funeral service will be held at 3:00 PM on Saturday, June 23, 2012 at C.S. Mulder Funeral Home with Pastor Tim Rader officiating. Friends may call at the funeral home from 1:00 PM until the time of the service. Burial will be at Rockview Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be left to the EUP Special Olympics.

Tribute Wall

JG

“ I was so sorry to learn of your familys loss. I send you my sincere sympathies and blessings.

Love,
Joanne Green

Joanne Green - June 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ I will remember Uncle Barney as kind, gentle, and always interested in what I was doing and thinking. I especially remember traveling to Anoka with the family when I was in jr hi, partly because we never went anywhere but also because it was so much fun. Uncle Barney was working for Eberts Coffee and drove us around the Twin Cities to show the vending machines he serviced. He had a good supply of outdated baked goods from the machines at home that we got to eat, something a jr hi boy will always remember! I'm glad I got to see him at the reunion last summer.

Nephew Dennis

Dennis Kamper - June 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ We met Barney at North Hills church around seven years ago. What a dear soul! We have spend part of the summer in the UP for about eleven years now. We love to have Barney, Rusty, Dan and Pastor Floyd and Karen over for dinner, maybe a whiffle ball game (Barney would be a sideline coach) we would enjoy sweet fellowship songs at the campfire and bible studies (quit often Barny would be sleeping or was it deep meditation?). He will be sorely missed down here but we believe he is having a wonderful time with his wife and family in heaven with our Lord and Savior!!

Mark and Amy Weeks and family - June 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ *Uncle Barney,
I remember the times you took me to help you in the hardwoods to cut firewood. Uncle Glenn didn't want me to use a chainsaw because he thought I might get hurt, but you insisted it would be ok and I learned from you how to cut wood. We cut and split many a cord. And we cut and split in very cold weather and you had us play duck duck goose to keep warm. Running around in circles chasing your uncle in below zero temps is not something you forget. Thanks for the memories and the lessons.
Goodbye Uncle Barney,
I will miss seeing you when I visit my Dad.
Marlan*

Marlan Ball - June 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BL

“ *Our thoughts and prayers go out to those who knew and loved Barney. For it is those who are left behind that hurt. Rejoice knowing that Barney is now in the arms of his Saviour. A great man with a tender loving heart, who's blue eyes and gentle smile will never be forgotten.*

Ben and Carol Lewis - June 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM