



## Fredrick "Fred" Arnold

November 20, 1949 - December 11, 2016

Fredrick Eugene "Fred" Arnold, born November 20, 1949, died at the age of 67 while sleeping in the home he built in Elba, NE during the quiet morning hours of December 11, 2016.

A memorial service will be held in honor of Fred's life at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, December 17, at All Faith's Funeral Home, 2929 S. Locust St., Grand Island. All friends and relatives are welcome to attend. Liars, cheats and thieves attend at your own discretion.

Fred, born the eldest son and second child to Darrell Eugene and Irene Cecilia (Cunningham) Arnold is survived by his mother Irene; seven siblings, Paula, Jim, Matt, LeAnne, Monica, Darrell and Dolores; four children, Guy, Melanie, David and Jeffrey; thirteen grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his father Darrell; brother, Dennis and sister, Marilyn.

Fred was born in North Platte, NE and as a boy, grew up spit-shining shoes where he learned that an honest smile and ethical character can compensate for a little orneriness and a loud laugh. He taught a brother or two his expertly performed trade and teenage business savvy in the hardworking manner that

only the child of a devout couple with ten children could duplicate.

Traveling and working, Fred used his charm and his love of life and people to win friends across the state of Nebraska. Working as a shoeshine boy, a butcher, a salesman and an entrepreneur, Fred was able to take care of himself and those close to him who needed it. Fred's honesty, loyalty, and hard work earned him a reputation as a man that people could trust.

For around twenty years Fred lived and worked in Grand Island while raising a family before finding a piece of property that he had always wanted in Elba. There he and his children built a house and he settled for good. Fred spent his time crafting quality traditional longbows and custom traditional arrows. Known only as Bowferd to some, he continued in the same manner as he always had, creating another group of true friends who respected his work and worth.

Fred, you were an avid bowman and nature lover, a worker and a player. You were a true cowboy. A son, a father, a brother, a protector, an adviser, a comedian, and a dancer. Your spirit cannot be replaced, and your laugh cannot be replicated. Before you left us, you said that you were at peace with God. Go with God, Fred. You will be sorely missed.

Memorials are suggested to the family to be designated at a later date.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life Service

DEC 17. 2:00 PM (CT)

All Faiths Funeral Home  
2929 S Locust St  
Grand Island, NE 68801  
(308) 398-2929  
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<https://www.giallfaiths.com/>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Fredrick "Fred" Arnold*

October 08, 2023 at 11:02 PM



“ *R.I.P Fred gone but not forgotten!*

**Bob DesLaurier** - December 17, 2016 at 06:49 PM



*Dad would be happy to hear this. Thanks Bob.*

**David Arnold** - January 20, 2017 at 08:49 PM



“ *I have known Fred for many many years and he was a great man with a lot of character. He was " Real". He will be missed a lot. R.I.P Fred.*

**Marcia Collins** - December 17, 2016 at 12:55 PM



*Thank you Marcia. He would appreciate the compliment.*

**David Arnold** - January 20, 2017 at 08:48 PM



“ *I met Fred thru my brother Rod many years ago, I also worked for him at the windshield repair business he had , although we never saw things eye to eye I considered him a friend . You will be Missed my Friend*

*Rich and Sue Wertz*

**Rich Wertz** - December 17, 2016 at 08:59 AM

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*He thought you were great Rich. I worked for him doing windshields too so I guess we were distant coworkers. Hope to run into you again sometime.*

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**David Arnold** - January 20, 2017 at 08:50 PM