

David Louis Hemphill

September 19, 1940 - December 21, 2021

David Louis Hemphill passed away December 21, 2021 at Bickford of Ames in Ames, Iowa. David is survived by his wife Shirley and three children Todd (Carol) of Urbandale, Tammy (Roger) Frost of Urbandale and Tracy (Dieter) Vees of Harbor City, California; four grandchildren Carson and Lindsay Hemphill and Marissa and Bethany Frost. He was preceded in death by his parents, sister Kathleen White, brothers Edwin and Gerald.

David was born September 19, 1940 in Marshalltown, Iowa. He was the son of Floyd and Mary (Polak) Hemphill. While growing up in Marshalltown he caddied at Elmwood Country Club where he learned to play golf. He was a graduate of Marshalltown High School in 1958. Continued education at Marshalltown Junior College and graduated from State College of Iowa (University of Northern Iowa) in 1962 in education.

On June 10, 1962 David and Shirley Nichols were united in marriage. They moved to Denison, Iowa where David started his teaching career as a 9th grade math teacher. After two years they moved to Nevada, Iowa where he taught high school math, coached golf, and worked on his master's degree at Iowa State University. By the fall of 1969 David and family moved to Roland, Iowa where he started his career as Junior High principal, taught math, and coached boys' basketball. After 35 years in education, he retired in 1997.

David was an avid golfer and enjoyed playing golf with family and friends. During his golf playing days he got two hole-in-ones. Other pastimes David enjoyed was camping with family and friends, hiking, riding bikes, and working on puzzles. After retirement David and Shirley enjoyed camping, watching their grandchildren participate in sports and music events, and spending winters in Goodyear, Arizona.

David was a loving husband, father, and grandfather. His gentle demeaner will be missed by his family and friends. He chose to only see the good in other people.

Memorial donation may be directed to Salem Lutheran Church.

The family would like to thank the staff at Bickford and St. Croix Hospice and all others providing comfort and care.

Cemetery



59168 130th St., Roland, IA 50236

Events

28 Dec **VISITATION** 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM Salem Lutheran Church 102 S. Main Street, Roland, IA 50236

29 Dec **SERVICE** 10:30 AM - 11:10 AM Salem Lutheran Church 102 S. Main Street, Roland, IA 50236

Tribute Wall



Lance and Connie Fretwell

We were very happy to spend time with Dave at Destiny RV Resort, Goodyear AZ, and appreciated the mealtime prayers he gave for several years at our gatherings. We will always remember his congenial lifestyle.



Terry Gustason

Dave was my first boss at Roland-Story. He hired me in the summer of 1975 to be a study hall supervisor to 7th-8th graders in Roland. There were times I wondered if I should thank him for that:-) But I most remember him as basketball coach for the boys junior high team. My son, Jim, was a member of that team that consisted of so many boys. Jim wasn't the fastest, the quickest or had the best shot, he just loved playing and with so many boys out he wouldn't have gotten much playing time under most coaches. But Dave made sure everyone had a chance to play in games. That meant a lot to a junior high boy that wanted so much to be a part of that team.

Tracy, Kalyan, Sylvan, and Todd

We are thinking of you. With our warmest condolences, the Corteva Delivery Engineering Team.



"Beautiful in Blue" was purchased for the family of David Louis Hemphill

Tribute Store

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Jerry & Karen Ripperger and John & Luanne Inderski

All of you are in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time, especially during the holidays. Our deepest sympathy and warmest condolences.



Yvonne

Sometimes teachers may wonder if they really make a difference in their students' lives. For the Nevada High School class of 1968 I can say yes - Mr. Hemphill was one of our favorite teachers. We dedicated our senior year book to him. He guided us all through math classes, a subject which is difficult for many, but we got through it because of his excellent teaching skills and a lot of patience. He was really the most impactful teacher I ever had, after many teachers in 6+ years of post-high school studies. I have thought of him and had reason to silently thank him for getting me through an exam or problem through the years. And 50+ years later, speaking for myself, and I think the entire Nevada class of '68, we are still are thankful for the time we had with him and what and how he taught us. Loving wishes to his family, who must have a lifetime of wonderful memories with this special man.



D Deb

Dear Shirley and family, When we moved to Roland 35+ years ago, we couldn't have asked for nicer neighbors. I'm not sure you were expecting kids and dogs to be tearing through your yard but they really enjoyed you. We were so sad to see you move to Story City. I hope you got to enjoy many rounds of golf since your move. Take care. Our thoughts and prayers are with you now and always. Deb and family P.S. Not everyone can say that they had children that played Dave and Shirley. We often heard, "I'm Dave and he's Shirley, we're going for a walk." Then they would hold hands and stroll around the house or out the door and down the sidewalk they would go.

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