



## Norman Lee Nielsen

April 18, 1936 - February 15, 2025

Norman Lee Nielsen, age 88, of Bend, Oregon, peacefully passed away on Saturday, February 15, 2025 at the Hospice House of Bend. He was surrounded with family and friends during his passing.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 56 years, Donna Nielsen, daughter Kristina Lopez Baca and her husband Charles Baca, and granddaughter Alida Lopez.

Norman was born in Springfield, Oregon and graduated from Springfield High School. He was a timber faller for most of his career and was known as a reliable, hardworking, exceptional timber faller, who was also known as an excellent teacher to new timber fallers. He is known as the guy who can fix anything, and if he did not have the tools to do the job, he would create the appropriate tool to complete the task. He had a kind and calm nature with a wonderful sense of humor, and a practical joker. He was always willing to help others. He enjoyed wood carving and working with his hands, he loved to create things. He had a huge collection of miniature vehicles of all sorts, including trains and some airplanes that he loved to display.

He was the best husband, father and grandpa anyone can ask for. He was very loved by many and will be greatly missed.

Please join us to celebrate his life, Sunday March 23rd between 1:00-3:30 p.m. at Hanai Center in the Forest Room, located at 62430 Eagle Road, Bend, OR 97701.