



Melvin Adren "Cash" Gideon, Sr., 93, of Burwell, Nebraska died June 26, 2015 at his home near Burwell, Nebraska.

Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. Thursday, July 2, 2015 at the United Methodist Church in Burwell, Nebraska. Burial will be in Cottonwood Cemetery in Burwell. Pastor Dennis Davenport will officiate. Visitation will be Wednesday from 5 - 7 p.m. at Hitchcock Funeral Home in Burwell, Nebraska.

Memorials are suggested to the Burwell American Legion or 4 The Cure.

Cash was born April 24, 1922 in Garfield County, Nebraska to Melvin O. and Edna B. (Jensen) Gideon. Cash graduated from Burwell High School in 1939. Cash enlisted in the United States Marines on July 8, 1942 and served his country during WWII with active duty in the Pacific Islands. Cash was honorably discharged on July 10, 1946 serving his country for 4yrs and 2 days. Cash married Evelyn Wells of Sargent in Seattle Washington on April 28, 1945. They recently celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary.

Cash and Evelyn returned to Burwell where Cash worked on various ranches and did custom haying. They then moved to town and started working for Fairbanks Morse where he did demolition with dynamite and installed diesel engines. Cash would also blow up beaver dams for ranchers to drain their land. Cash was offered a position with Nebraska Power Services and continued with demolition and generator installation. He and Zane later formed their own company called Diesel Erectors, Inc.

Cash played about as hard as he worked. He enjoyed being a pilot, playing fast pitch softball, shooting pool, playing cards, Canadian fishing trips for over 40yrs, and hunting and fishing with family.

Cash is survived by his wife Evelyn Gideon. Five sons, Zane and Pat Gideon, Dave and Sandy Gideon, Mel and Jan Gideon, Yohn Gideon, and Matt and Sara Gideon all of Burwell, Nebraska. Fourteen grandchildren, twenty three great-grandchildren and two great great-grandchildren.

Cash was preceded in death by his parents, three sisters, Mildred Johnson, Erma Hoover and Melva Fernau and a brother Jack Gideon. A grandson, Wes Gideon, a great-grandson, Peyton Gideon, and daughter in-law Melanie Gideon.