



Amos Everette Nicholson

November 25, 1916 - October 6, 2012

Amos Everette Nicholson, 95, of Aurora, died Saturday, October 6, 2012. He was born November 25, 1916 in Sandwich, Illinois to Charles and Elsie Nicholson. He moved to Aurora as a boy and remained a lifelong resident.

Amos graduated from East Aurora High School in 1936, and began working with his father in the painting and decorating business. He enlisted in the Army Air Corps during World War II and was trained as an aircraft mechanic. He was stationed with the 343rd Squadron, 98th Bomb Group in North Africa and Italy, and worked as a B-24 Liberator Crew Chief, achieving the rank of Master Sergeant. Amos' artistic talents were well known in his unit, and he was tasked with painting the nose art on several of his squadron's bombers, including images of Snow White & the Seven Dwarfs and Prince Charming. Just prior to his death, he co-authored a book of his exploits before and during World War II, entitled "Snow White Goes to War." After an additional 2 year stint in Japan during the Korean Conflict, Amos returned to Aurora where he continued as an independent painting/decorating contractor well into his 80's.

Survivors include two sons, Lynn (Slawa) and Kent (Sue); and one grandson, Adam.

He was preceded in death by his loving wife of 59 years and high school sweetheart, Rita (nee Schramer) Nicholson; his parents, Charles and Elsie;

sisters, Doris, Helen and Margaret; and brother, Burnette.

Visitation will be held Thursday, October 11, 2012 from 4:00 PM – 8:00 PM at THE DALEIDEN MORTUARY, 220 N. Lake St., Aurora. 630-631-5500.

Funeral services and interment will be private. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Amos' name may be made to Provena Hospice or the V.F.W.

Please visit our new interactive website at www.daleidenmortuary.com to leave condolences for Amos' family or sign the guest book.

Cemetery Details

Private

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 11. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Daleiden Mortuary
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Tribute Wall



“ Daleiden Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Amos Everette Nicholson



Daleiden Mortuary - October 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ Amos "Nick" Nicholson was one of my dad's buddies from the 343rd Squadron in North Africa and Italy. He is mentioned in my dad's war diary in several places, and we kids grew up hearing stories of Nick, Jim Motch, and many others who "kept 'em flying" for the bomber crews. My dad went west 12 years ago, and after that I kept in loose touch with Nick. Last spring I was privileged to spend a few days with Nick while we travelled together to visit a mutual friend. What a wonderful experience it was to hear stories of my dad, their days gone by, and just to get to know Nick as a friend. When we parted, he thanked me profusely for taking him on that excursion. God bless you, and fair winds, my friend!

Ed Rusch (Jr.)

(Proud son of Edward J. "Eddie" Rusch, SSgt USAAC, 98th BG(H), 343rd Sq, 1912-2000)

Edward J. Rusch (Jr.) - October 26, 2012 at 10:07 AM

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Mr. Rusch, I'm LtCol Steve Smith, 343rd Bomb Squadron, Barksdale AFB, LA. Amos attended our squadron reactivation a couple of years ago... he was a real hit, especially with my wife, who adored him. I've got a video you might be interested in viewing. If so, please email me at thirstysmith@yahoo.com

Steven Smith - November 07, 2012 at 07:51 AM

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“*The video tribute of Amos is very touching. My condolences to the family. I wanted to share a memory I had when I was a small girl when Amos came to paint my parents' home. He was painting the finished basement in pink and green. As I always did when Amos was in our home, I was visiting with him while he was working and he thought it would be funny to paint my feet; yes, I ended up with one pink foot and one green foot! I shared that memory with Amos when I phoned him shortly after he went on the Honor Flight. We had a great laugh over that!! Amos was a kind and sweet man who was very proud to have served his country. He was a true gentleman. God Bless to the family.*

Dianne LaVoy

Dianne LaVoy - October 10, 2012 at 07:10 PM