



Eric J. Nelson

January 31, 1970 - March 18, 2020

Eric Joseph Nelson, resident of Slidell, Louisiana died at the age of fifty years old on Wednesday, March 18th, 2020. He died from diabetic complications at his father's home in Bradley, Illinois.

Eric Joseph Nelson was born on January 31st, 1970 at Riverside hospital in Kankakee, Illinois. He was born to his parents Rev. Al Nelson and Christean Aslinger Nelson of Dwight, Illinois. He joined his older sister Joan and had many close cousins.

He graduated from Momence High School, Momence, Illinois, where he played football and was involved in theater. He was also active in Nazarene church camps and Bible Quizzing competition. He graduated Summa cum laude from Olivet Nazarene University with a degree in Biblical Literature and went on to earn his Masters of Divinity from Nazarene Theological Seminary.

Eric married Susan Moore of Country Club Hills, Illinois on May 22, 1993 in Bourbonnais, Illinois. He served in pastoral ministry as an ordained elder of the Nazarene church in Minnesota, Illinois, and Louisiana. Eric enjoyed spending time with his family, reading literature and biographies, history, politics, music, cooking, debating, all sports (but especially Chicago sports), technology, and his cats.

He is survived by His wife Susan Nelson of Slidell, Louisiana, Nathaniel Nelson of Fort Carson, Colorado, Benjamin Nelson and fiancé Ivanna Adams of Slidell, Louisiana , and Lydia Nelson of Slidell, Louisiana. He also leaves behind his father Al Nelson of Bradley, Illinois and his sister Joan (Daniel) Pontarelli of DeKalb, Illinois. He loved his two nephews Christopher Moore and Joseph Pontarelli, and two nieces Alexandria Pontarelli and Madeleine Moore.

Eric was preceded in death by his mother Christean Aslinger Nelson.

There will be a private burial at Mound Grove Cemetery in Kankakee, IL
Jensen Funeral Home in Bourbonnais, IL is handling the arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Mound Grove Cemetery

1000 N. Greewood Ave.
Kankakee, IL 60901

Tribute Wall



“ *Eric J. Nelson*

October 08, 2023 at 04:39 PM



“ *Susan and family, we are so very sorry to hear of Eric's passing. We are so sad and feel so bad for each of you. We have wonderful memories of all of you at New Beginnings Church. This has to be especially hard for Benjamin, right before his wedding. So sweet of him to invite us. God bless you all. We know you will see him again. Love from the Braaten's.*

debbie braaten - April 16, 2020 at 10:52 PM



“ *I'll never forget the fun we had working at Ponderosa. He will always be remembered as a great friend, family man, nephew and God's faithful servant. Rip.*

Ron Aslinger - March 23, 2020 at 08:04 AM



“ *Ruby Pontarelli lit a candle in memory of Eric J. Nelson*



Ruby pontarelli - March 22, 2020 at 06:27 PM



“ Vivid Recollections was purchased for the family of Eric J. Nelson.



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“ PRAYING FOR COMFORT AND STRENGTH FOR YOU, SUE, AND THE FAMILY DURING THESE DIFFICULT DAYS.....DONNA LITHERLAND

DONNA LITHERLAND - March 21, 2020 at 06:16 PM



My prayers are with you, Joan and Sue and your families. May God be your strength through these hard days.
Ruby Pontarelli

Ruby pontarelli - March 21, 2020 at 08:19 PM



We join the Louisiana District Church of the Nazarene in offering our sincere condolences and sympathy to the family. Our prayers are with you during this time of loss and life transition. Chuck & Marsha Fountain & the Louisiana District

Chuck - March 22, 2020 at 05:13 AM



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