



Nelson Abraham

December 1, 1913 - December 24, 2011

Nelson Abraham, 98, Overland Park, KS passed away Saturday, December 24, 2011 at Village Shalom. He was born at home on December 1, 1913 in Kansas City, MO to Alexander and Gussie Abraham. He had an older brother Arthur and a younger sister Florence.

Nelson graduated from Westport High School where he played violin. He was raised in and confirmed at The Temple, Congregation B'nai Jehudah, where he met his beloved wife Sara Lee Eisberg at a Purim dance. He graduated cum laude from the University of Kansas City Law School. Nelson served with the US Army in the Pacific Theater during World War II. When he returned to Kansas City after the war he continued his law practice. He was an attorney for fifty years. Nelson was the former president of his B'nai B'rith Lodge, and was on the board of the Jewish Geriatric Center. Nelson was a devoted family man. He is survived by daughter Gloria Henricks and her husband, Chris; son, Gordon Abraham and his wife Diana; grandchildren, Jennifer, David and his wife Desiree; great-granddaughter, Audrey Taylor Abraham and friend Sue Singer. For their 50th wedding anniversary Nelson and Sara Lee took their family on an Alaskan cruise. As Sara Lee aged and needed special assistance Nelson devoted himself to her care. In addition to his devotion for his family he enjoyed hobbies such as fishing and boating at his lake home and playing golf at Meadowbrook Country Club. He and his wife were active ballroom dancers, often socializing with friends. In his 80's Nelson took college art classes, began glass etching and made some beautiful pieces. He remained physically active walking a mile every day. Nelson joined Congregation Kol Ami in his 90's. He will be greatly missed by all those who knew and loved him. Funeral services were Monday, December 26, 2011 at The Louis Memorial Chapel, followed by burial at Rose Hill Cemetery. Contributions may be made to Village Shalom in his memory, 5500 W. 123rd Street, Overland Park, KS 66209.

Comments



“ I worked at Menorah Medical Center for over 28 years in Patient Accounts & Mr Abraham owned one of the collection agencies we used. He was always the nicest person. He will be missed, my condolences to your family

Gayle (Cohen) & David Shechter - December 30, 2011 at 02:54 PM



“ We knew Nelson as a no nonsense yet engaging man. On Friday nights at Village Shalom, he expected (and received) a Good Shabbos greeting with accompanying handshake. No doubt he is with Hashem making sure shamayim is kept running smoothly.

Alan and Jackye Goldberg - December 28, 2011 at 10:35 AM



“ I only knew Nelson for 2 1/2 years. He would often come down to the Wellness Dept. to ride the bike. Nelson loved his music and would often share a song with me. Sometimes after he was done, Nelson and I would waltz for a brief moment. Nelson was a gifted artisan and loved to brag about his craft. Unfortunately I was not able to attend the service or the Shiva, due to being out of town. Nelson was a true treasure in my life. I will miss Nelson and was honored to know him.

Caryn Carl - December 26, 2011 at 04:46 PM



“ Nelson was such a kind person. He always pulled out my chair when I came to breakfast. After he ate, he would come over to talk to me. I will miss him very much.

Janet Baird - December 26, 2011 at 03:38 PM



“ A sweet man, a serious attorney, a true mensch and a solid friend. Thanks, Nelson.

Max Adams - December 26, 2011 at 01:48 PM