Eugene William Arnold Sr. was born on January 11, 1931, in Long Prairie, Minnesota to Frank and Frances (Spieker) Arnold. He attended school in Long Prairie and helped his father farm. He enlisted in the United States Army in January of 1953 until December of 1954. He served overseas and was stationed in France. He returned home and attended Barber School and made his home in Alexandria.

Eugene was united in marriage to Wanda Weishair. The couple was blessed with two children, Eugene Jr and Lori. He did apprentice work for Frank Nelson and then opened his own barber shop "Gene's Barber Shop" and retired in 1986.

Eugene loved hunting, fishing and cutting trees. He loved giving away fish and would even bring fish to the convent in Little Falls.

Eugene died on Thursday, October 31, 2019, at the St. Cloud Hospital at the age of 88. He is survived by his son, Eugene (Ann) Arnold Jr.; daughter, Lori (Charles) Smith; grandchildren, Justin (Christa) Jones, Brandon Jones, Allison (Ryan) Kuhlman, Brooke Arnold, Luke (Jalen Jimenez) Arnold; great-grandchildren, Caden, Jace, Rogen, Riggs; brother, Edward (Peggy) Arnold; sister, Leona Johnson; and many nieces and nephews. Eugene is preceded in death by his wife, Wanda; parents, Frank and Frances; and many brothers and sisters.

Fisherman's Prayer

God grant that I may
Live to fish,
Until my dying day,
And when it comes
To my last cast,
I then most humbly pray,
When in the Lord's
Safe landing net,
I'm peacefully asleep,
That in his mercy I be judged,
As big enough to keep.

In Memory of

Eugene William Arnold Sr.

January 11, 1931 **☆**

October 31, 2019

Memorial Service

Anderson Funeral Home Alexandria, Minnesota

Wed. November 6, 2019 1:00 PM

Officiant

Reverend John Martinson

Music

Amazing Grace
How Great Thou Art

Military Honors

American Legion Post 87 Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 936 Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 235 Minnesota National Honor Guard

Entombment

Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery Little Falls, Minnesota

