

Obituary

Herman Aikele, 87

Herman Aikele, 87, of Moore, Idaho passed away peacefully Sunday, October 16, 2011 at his son's home in Blackfoot, Idaho surrounded by family.

Herman was born March 11, 1924 in Moore, Idaho to Andreas Johannes Aikele and Josephine Partington. He attended school and graduated from Moore High School. He then went on to attend the University of Idaho and Idaho State University. He served his country in the U. S. Navy in World War II.

Herman was born and raised on the family farm in Lost River. On October 2, 1946 Herman married Atha Pearl Murdock in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple. Upon returning from the war he purchased ground from his father and continued to farm. To provide for his growing family he also apprenticed as a brick layer with Albert Pearson. In 1964 he and Atha opened Arco Feed and Fertilizer. His final construction project was a brick and wrought-iron fence at their ranch in Lost River. In his free time he enjoyed singing in a barbershop quartet, music, rabbit and pheasant hunting, and woodworking. He served as a Butte County Commissioner, on the ASCS Board, on the Butte County School Board and the Eastern Idaho Agricultural Hall of Fame.

Herman was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He served in the Boy Scouts, as a Sunday School Teacher, in the Young Men organization, in the Bishopric and on the High Council. He and Atha served an LDS mission in New Zealand from 1994-96. He and his wife served in the Idaho Falls Temple for 15 years.

Herman is survived by his wife, Atha Murdock Aikele of Moore, Idaho; Andra (Jim) Zane of St. George, Utah, Eric Murdock (Janet) Aikele of Moore, Idaho, Carla (Randall) Bird of Layton, Utah, currently serving an LDS mission in the Philippines, Kurt H. (Denise) Aikele of Blackfoot, Idaho and Lin (John) Wolfe of Lewisburg, Pennsylvania; brother, Juel Aikele of Carey, Idaho; 25 grandchildren; and 62 great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, three sisters, grandchildren; Andrew Aikele, Kris Aikele and Brett Lamont; and a great grandchild, Nathaniel Davies.

A funeral service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 22, 2011 at the Moore LDS Stake Center with Bishop Dean Anderson conducting. Family will meet with friends and relatives from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Friday, October 21, 2011 at Lost River Funeral Home in Arco, Idaho and one hour prior to services at the Moore LDS Stake Center.

Interment will be at the Lost River Cemetery

Condolences may be sent to condolences@hawkerfuneralhome.com.

