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Ralph Nielsen

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Ralph Nielsen age 77, 3564 East S.R. 26 Portland passed away Wednesday in Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne. He was born in Massachusetts on March 12, 1938 the son of Ralph and Theresa (Plante) Nielsen. He was married May 19, 1996 to Leda Ivanovna who survives. He was retired from Pax Machine and had worked at Sheller-Globe. He was also a pilot.

Surviving are his wife Leda, one son Kai Nielson of Southport, N.C., and one daughter Kim Edwards of Winchester, Va., one step-daughter Nataliy Canfield of Richland, WA. One sister Katherine Kenney of Portland, Four grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 4:00 P.M. on Monday with Pastor Mark Strietelmeier presiding. Cremation will follow. Visitation will be Monday from 2:00 – 4:00 P.M. Memorials can be made to Jay County Heart Fund.

Baird-Freeman Funeral Home online obit (accessed 12/14/2015)