



## Calvin Knutson

May 11, 1913 - February 19, 2006

Calvin Knutson, 92, Tuttle, died Sunday February 19, 2006, at Medcenter One Hospital, Bismarck. Services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, February 23, 2006 at English Lutheran Church, Tuttle, with Pastor Val Kinlan officiating. Burial will be in the Tuttle Cemetery. Visitation will be from 3:00 to 9:00 p.m. Wednesday at Eastgate Funeral Service, Bismarck and will continue one hour prior to the service at the church. Calvin was born May 11, 1913, on the Christensen homestead southeast of Tuttle, the son of Nels and Annie Christensen Knutson. He received his elementary education in Clear Lake Township and graduated from high school in Tuttle. Following graduation, Calvin remained in Tuttle working as a farmhand locally and seasonally in the Red River Valley area picking potatoes and topping sugar beets. In 1937, he and Mabel Seaberg were married. They owned and operated a local service station and confectionary where he also did mechanic work. In 1942, he and Mabel bought their first quarter of land and began 60 successful years of farming and raising livestock. He was employed at the Billings, Montana sugar refinery during the 1958-1962 campaigns. During the years of 1967-1974, they owned and operated the Hometown Caf   in Robinson. Calvin also spent several years working as a mechanic in area garages. They moved off the farm in 2000 and made their home in Tuttle. Calvin's life was made full with many pastimes that brought him great joy. Visiting with friends and family was very important to him and all who knew him enjoyed listening to his stories of the past. His favorite pastime was a game of Skip-Bo, "Skippy" which he

enjoyed nightly with Mabel. He served as Clear Lake Township Assessor for 18 years and was a lifelong member of English Lutheran Church. He will be forever missed and loved by those who survive him, including his wife, Mabel; two daughters, JoAnn Adam Stein of Billings, MT, and Lila Clyde Bush of Bismarck; five grandchildren, Audie Diana Stein of Billings, Randie Stein of West Fargo, Pete Toni Stein of Billings, Steve Karen Bush of West Fargo, and Kelli Bush of Bismarck; nine great-grandchildren, Neal Stein, Katie Blaine Roedocker, Matthew Stein, Justin Stein, Luke Stein, Kevin Stein, Steve Bush, Jr., Matthew Bush, and Mark Bush; and two great-great-grandchildren, Haley and Tristan Roedocker. He was preceded in death by his grandparents, parents, and numerous aunts and uncles.