



Charles Tracy

October 8, 1927 - October 6, 2006

Charles Tracy, 78, Mandan, died October 6, 2006, at a Bismarck hospital. Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, October 10, at 10:00 AM at the First United Methodist Church, 924 N. 11th Street, Bismarck, with Rev. Kermit Culver officiating. Burial will be at the Linton Cemetery. Visitation will be Monday from 12 - 9 PM at Eastgate Funeral Service and will continue Tuesday one hour prior to the service at the church. Charles was born on October 8, 1927, in Linton, North Dakota, the son Hal and Hilda Thorsen Tracy. He attended rural Dale Elementary School and graduated from Pollock High School in 1946. Charles married Violet Rau Maier on January 22, 1954, in Linton. He worked at Montana Dakota Utilities Company starting at Linton in 1949 and later transferring to Bismarck where he was a foreman for the electric service department. He retired in 1989 after 40 years with the company. Charles was a co-organizer and founder of the Pioneer Auto Club. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church and served on the Board of Trustees for several years. He also served on the Captain Leach Township Board and was a life member of the Eagles and the Elks. Charles enjoyed woodworking and restoring antique cars and stationary engines. He is survived by his wife, Violet of Mandan; his son, Robert Delores Tracy of Bismarck; his daughter, Susan Tracy of Bismarck; his sister, Margaret Ketchum of Herreid, South Dakota; his very precious grandchildren, Christopher Charles, Timothy, and Jessica, all of Bismarck; his sisters-in-law, Gladys Tracy of Bismarck, Frances Tracy of Yakima, Washington, and Loretta

Rau of Linton, North Dakota; his brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Frank and Marlene Purintun of Hazelton, North Dakota; also included in the family circle, Kristi and Throy Haadem of Rolla, North Dakota; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his step-son, Glenn Maier in 1970 in Vietnam; his parents; three brothers, Albert, Norman, and Lawrence; and one sister, Anna. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials to First United Methodist Church or the Ronald McDonald House.