



Francis Marchand

October 19, 1940 - November 4, 2003

Francis D. Marchand, 63, Bismarck, ND died November 4, 2003 at a local hospital. Services will be held at 11:00 AM, Friday at Church of St. Anne with the Rev. Ed Wehner officiating. Burial will be in St. Mary's Cemetery. Visitation will be from 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM Thursday at Eastgate Funeral Service where a vigil will be held at 7:00 PM. Visitation will continue for one hour prior to the service at the church. Francis was born on October 19, 1940 in Overly, North Dakota to Fred and Hannah Marchand. He lived in Overly where he met his future wife and best friend, Yvonne Casavant. Francis and Yvonne were married in 1962. In 1963, they moved to Newburg, ND where they lived and raised five children until Francis retired from Amerada Hess in 1993. Shortly thereafter they made their home in Bismarck. Francis was well known as a dedicated and loyal employee of Amerada Hess where he worked for nearly 30 years. If he could not be found at Central Farm or at a rig location you may find him gardening, golfing, fishing, camping with his family or looking for someone to tease and joke with. Francis' true passion was his wife of forty-one years, his five children and nine grandchildren. He was a caring, loving, and giving husband, father, and grandfather. Francis is survived by his wife, Yvonne; his five children, Carolyn Kittelson and her husband Rod of Fargo, Pam Marchand of Fargo, Don Marchand of Phoenix, AZ, Evan Marchand and his wife Nancy of Bismarck, and Shana Steele of Fargo; nine grandchildren, Justin, DuWayne, Ericka, Tyler, Marissa, Jamison, Nathan, Alexis, and Evan Jr., three sisters, Lucille Fossum of Rugby, Donna Owens and Barbara

Merrick both of Goletta, CA; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his mother Hannah Marchand, his father, Fred Marchand, and two brothers Donald Marchand and Freddie Marchand.