



George Bartole

January 28, 1923 - December 19, 2004

George Michael Bartole, 81, Bismarck, passed away at a Bismarck hospital on December 19, 2004. Funeral services will be Tuesday at 11:00 AM at Church of St. Mary in Bismarck with the Rev. Bruce Krebs officiating. Burial will be at Sunset Memorial Gardens. Visitation will be Tuesday one hour prior to the service at the church. George was born on January 28, 1923, in Bismarck, the son of Anton and Eva Eckert Bartole. He attended St. Mary's Grade School and High School. He started working on the railroad at age thirteen and later worked in construction. George also had machinist training which he used while living in Seattle. He moved back to Bismarck when his mother became ill. For thirty-one years, he worked at the Bismarck Tribune as a pressman. For many years, he lived in Wilton while working at the Tribune. George retired in 1983 and moved to Bismarck. George was a hunter and fisherman from the time he was little. He was a past member of the Nishu Bowman Archery Club, a lifetime member of the Eagles, belonged to the Moose Club, and was a member of the Knights of Columbus. The Senior Center was a favorite place for many years. George served on the board of directors at the Senior Center and also served on the Tenant Council at Crescent West. His hobbies were hunting and fishing, playing pinochle, and he loved to visit with anyone. Being from Bismarck, he knew the history of the city. His memory of early days in Bismarck was exceedingly keen. George had a very quick and humorous wit and he loved to tell stories about his childhood. In 1994, he married Laretta Mihulka, who mourns his passing. Also left to

mourn him and who delighted in knowing him are his stepchildren, Brenda Gene Olheiser of Billings, Montana, Vince Mihulka of DeWitt, New York, Roland Dianna Mihulka of Bismarck, Joyce Barry Ness of Bismarck, Ruth Kevin Rickbeil of Rice, Minnesota, and Lee Mihulka of Bismarck; his step-grandchildren, Janet Olheiser, Matthew Olheiser, Christopher Mihulka, Kathy Mihulka, Melissa and Randy Guthmiller, Rocky and Melissa Thompson, Logan and Jessie Thompson, Stephanie Schweitzer, Angela Ness, Andrea Rickbeil, Myles Rickbeil, Brandi Mihulka, and David Mihulka; his six step-great-grandchildren; two sisters, Anne and Violet; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents; two wives, Edna and Frances; one brother, Lawrence; two sisters, Marion and Betty; one infant brother, Joseph; three brothers-in-law; and one step-son, Phillip.

Tribute Wall

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“ *You are missed, Grandpa. Thank you for instilling in me a love of hunting and the outdoors.* ”

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