



Jacob Specht

September 2, 1923 - September 30, 2009

Jacob Specht, 86, Bismarck, passed away on September 30, 2009, peacefully from the arms of his loving family to the arms of his Lord, at Marian Manor Nursing Home, Glen Ullin. Services will be held at 11:00 am Monday at Faith Lutheran Church, Bismarck, with Rev. Wes Aardahl and Rev. Chris Alexander officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Memorial Gardens, Bismarck. Visitation will be held from 5:00 pm until 9:00 pm Sunday at Eastgate Funeral Service, Bismarck, and will continue one hour prior to the service at the church. Jacob was born on September 2, 1923, in Dodge, ND, the son of Ferdinand and MaryWiedenmeyer Specht. Jacob married Hertha Bohrer on November 24, 1951. Jacob served his country in the Navy and after his term was served he attended Barber School and spent the rest of his life up until retirement as a professional Barber in various places throughout ND. Jacob loved to fish, golf, bowl, and throw horseshoes. Throughout all of his sporting adventures he was awarded many trophies but loved more than anything the fellowship it brought about with friends, neighbors, and family. If an award from his friends and family were to be presented to Jake today it would be for his great smile, sense of humor, and the sharing of many jokes and stories with a gleam in his eyes that just simply brightened your day. Jacob also stayed very involved in his church; he had a great love for the Lord Jesus Christ and loved to read his bible which gave him encouragement and strength to carry on when adversity and suffering came his way. Jacob is survived by his loving wife of 57 years, Hertha, who is currently residing at Marion Manor Nursing Home in Glen Ullin,

ND; his two sisters, Bertha Conner and Wyonna Miller both of Bismarck, ND; two brothers, Otto Specht of Mesa, AZ, and Ervin Alma Specht of Bismarck, ND; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; his four brothers and his four sisters.

Tribute Wall

LS

“ I played horseshoes with Jake for many years and have missed him! He was great to talk with and a great competitor and sportsman! He was a very fine person; his family should be proud!!!!

Larry Stockert - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Jacob was a special person. He had a good sense of humor and the gift of visiting. I enjoyed stopping at their house in Bismarck to see them, say "hi", see how they were doing. He would always ask about my family and the Nursing Home. I will miss him.

Doreen Sayler - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PG

“ My family and I met Jake, Hertha in 1992 when we moved into a house across the street from them. He was the kind of neighbor you hear about but, don't think truly exists. He welcomed us into the neighborhood and their life. Our two sons instantly had a connection with Jake and would often disappear for hours; I would be worried wondering where they were when all along they were across the street visiting with Jake and Herth! He shared stories which kept them entertained and they talk about to this day; talke them his incredible gardening skills; always had time to play cards with them and taught them how to play horseshoes. The would frequently come home excited about Jakes trophies, awards and practice in the backyard to get as good as Jake! We lived across from them for 5 years and moved but, that didn't severe the friendship that had been established. We would frequently visit each other; we would pick up where we left off and Jake was always interested in our children. Jake was an amazing person that touched our lives in a special way. His kindness, acceptance of everyone, ready smile and sense of humor is something that will be greatly missed. Our prayers are with you all and he will forever be in our hearts.

Patty Glasser - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BD

“ I will always remember the couple whotook care of Great-Grandmother Emelia's grave. Your smile and love for life will not be forgotten. Betty Duttenhefer

Betty Duttenhefer - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LJ

“ JAKE USED TO WORK AT THE BARBERSHOP IN KIRKWOOD AND I WORKED AT THE COFFEE SHOP HE WOULD COME IN EVERY DAY FOR COFFEE BREAK. HE WAS SUCH A KIND, NICE GUY WITH A GREAT SMILE.MY SYMPATHY TO HIS FAMILY.

LYLA JOYCE - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Hertha, I wish to express my condolences for your loss. I will always remember the wonderful job you and Jake did in taking care of Lisa and Lanette while Rita & I worked. Also will remember the good times, stories, and jokes when Jake cut my hair. Also remember him when I see or use his Shotgun that he sold me. My Sympathy, Jim

Jim Sickler - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ When I was 12 in 1955, I began a job shining shoes in the Patterson Hotel Barber Shop, where Jake worked with 3 other barbers, sometimes 4. I still regard this as the best job I ever had, largely due to Jake's influence and friendship. Twice every day he'd nod at me over in the corner when he got a break and we'd mosey upstairs to the cafe for a break. None of the other barbers did that. He was such a nice man, so pleasant to be near. He always made you feel accepted, even with our age differences, me a punk kid who knew nothing about anything. We kept in contact through the years, as Jake cut my hair until he retired. During that time he also gave my son Jon his first haircut at age 2, and we have prized photos of that, Jon screaming but hanging onto that lollipop, Jake smiling. He was such a glorious man, and he influence my life greatly. I'm confident he is with the Lord.

Bill Mitzel - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ Though we always lived miles apart, my mom always made sure that I knew all my aunts and uncles and appreciated and loved them all. You were always a bright light when I visited and I will miss you. I know that you are in the arms of our Lord and your brothers and sisters who went before you including my Mom so I know you are not lonely. My love as you fly to Heaven on Angel's wings. Coralee

Coralee Proffitt - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ *Hertha: I am sorry to hear about Jake. Even though I have not seen or talked to you in quite awhile it doesn't mean I don't think about you. My love and prayers are with you. Love Margaret*

Margaret Laib Simon - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ *When I first bought my house, there were two older gentlemen who lived across the alley from me. One of them was Jake; he had lots of advice for my yard and my home. Then he found out my husband was from Halliday and the visiting in the alley was on. I have missed him greatly the past few years; I have no one to tell me when I need to mow and trim, and tell me a funny joke, or to walk around the block with me. My friend is now smiling down on me and I am sure he is entertaining someone with a funny story. I miss him. To his family, you are in my prayers and my sympathy goes out to you; I know you miss him too. I am missing two of my best joke tellers now, Jake and Carol; my neighborhood is shrinking, I am running out of "alley friends". Diana Huber Brooks*

Diana Brooks - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM