



John TeBeest

April 23, 1922 - February 19, 2005

John B. TeBeest, 82, Bismarck, died February 19, 2005 at a local care center. Services will be held Friday, February 25, at 11:00 AM at Bismarck Community Church with the Rev. Ron Klein officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Memorial Gardens. Visitation will be from 6:00 to 9:00 PM Thursday at Eastgate Funeral Service. John Bernard TeBeest was born April 23, 1922 on a farm southwest of Westfield, ND, the son of Garret and Minnie VanHeuklem TeBeest. He grew up and farmed in Emmons County. On June 4, 1948, John married Anna Nieuwsma at Hull, ND. After operating a dairy farm in Baldwin, Wisconsin, the family moved to Bismarck in 1963, where John owned and operated the cleaning business, Dyna Kleen for more than 20 years. In June 2000 John and Anna moved from their country home into Bismarck and in August 2003 John entered the Baptist Home. John was a quiet and hardworking man, who loved his wife and family, and enjoyed teasing his grandchildren. We will always remember him as the one who loved to travel on the spur of the moment to visit relatives, and who started water fights at family gatherings. After he retired he was content to mow his lawn and fix things until he began losing his eyesight in 1993. He rarely complained about anything. Throughout his life his generosity and compassion were shared with hitchhikers and unemployed men, especially through his business. His greatest riches were the people around him and living his Christian faith by volunteering his time and talents. He was a lifetime member of the Reformed Church. John is survived by his wife, Anna of Bismarck; his sons, John G.

Marie TeBeest of Mandan, Donald Maylene TeBeest of Fortuna, ND, Elton TeBeest and Peter TeBeest both of Bismarck, and Gary Lori TeBeest of Grants Pass, OR; his daughters, Beth William Calamas of Grand Rapids, MI and Juanita Alvin Braun of Bismarck; his grandchildren and his sister, Elizabeth Dornbush of Strasburg, ND. He was preceded in death by his sister, Johanna Larson.