



Joseph Zahn

December 25, 1913 - October 10, 2004

Joseph W. Zahn, 90, Glen Ullin, formerly of Bismarck, died October 10, 2004, at a Glen Ullin care center. Funeral services will be Thursday at 10:00 AM at Church of Corpus Christi in Bismarck with the Rev. Paul Becker officiating. Burial will be at St. Mary's Cemetery with military honors provided by VFW Post #1326. Visitation will be Wednesday from 9:00 AM - 9:00 PM at Boelter-Eastgate Funeral Service where a rosary service will be held at 7:00 PM. Joe was born on December 25, 1913, in Beulah, North Dakota, the son of Joseph and Caroline Ziegler Zahn. He was raised and attended schools in Bismarck, graduating from St. Mary's High School on June 3, 1932. He entered the United States Army on July 16, 1943, during World War II where he earned a Purple Heart and Bronze Star. He was the first lieutenant to be discharged on March 29, 1946. Joe and Helen Westbrook were married on February 1, 1941, in Bismarck. Helen died on June 25, 1980. Joe married Betty Benzer on November 4, 1983, in Bismarck. Betty died on December 11, 1989. Following his father's death, Joe took over the family farm in the St. Benedict area where he farmed for many years. Joe was co-owner of Capital Recreation along with J. Roehrich. It opened in August 3, 1941, and was destroyed by a fire. He and Art Benson then opened Bismarck Bowling Center on October 10, 1946. He then opened Bowling Center on September 29, 1956. Joe sold the business on August 1, 1978. Joe was inducted into the North Dakota Bowler's Hall of Fame in 1973. He is survived by his two step-daughters Karen Buresh and her husband, Bill, and Diana Bedker; his step-grandchildren, David, Steven,

Kara, and Kesiah; and several nieces and nephews. Joe was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Helen; his wife, Betty; his sister, Rose Carroll; and his brother, Leo Zahn.