



Robert Schalkle

January 19, 1925 - December 28, 2003

Robert "Bob" Schalkle, 78, died at a local care center on December 28, 2003. Funeral services will be Friday at 1:00 PM at Faith Lutheran Church in Bismarck with the Rev. Wes Aardahl officiating. Burial will be at Sunset Memorial Gardens. Bob was born on January 19, 1925 on the family farm in Redfield, S.D., the youngest son of Henry and Florence Brown Schalkle. In June 1943, at age 18, Bob enlisted in the US Navy. He proudly served in the South Pacific on air craft carriers. On Oct. 3, 1952 he married Esther Becker at St. George's Episcopal Church in Bismarck. They had two sons, Scott 1953 and Barry 1955. He worked at the AMOCO oil refinery for 35 years. Bob was very active with the AmVets and served as post chaplain for a few years. Bob is survived by his very devoted and caring wife of 51 years, Esther; his children Scott and Cindy Wald of Scottsdale, AZ, Barry and Janel Nistler of Woodbury, MN; three grandsons, Eric 24, Christopher 20, and Tory 17 and one granddaughter, Laura 13; his brother John Evelyn Schalkle of Norwalk, CA, and his sister Mary Burlyn Michel of Athens, GA. Bob was preceded in death by his parents, brother Henry, and granddaughter Katelyn Schalkle. Most important to Bob was his family and faith. He will be remembered as being a people person. He was a member of Faith Lutheran Church for 45 years. We love you, Bob, Dad and Grandpa. Memorials requested to be sent to St. Vincent's Nursing Home Alzheimer's Unit or Faith Lutheran Church.