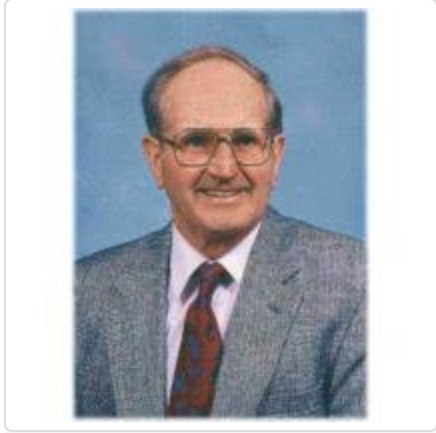




Russell Thune

September 29, 1922 - October 9, 2012

Russell Thune, 90, Bismarck, passed away on October 9, 2012, at the Baptist Home. Services will be held at 10:30 am Friday, October 12, at Trinity Lutheran Church, Bismarck, with Rev. Steve Sathre officiating. Burial will be in the North Dakota Veterans Cemetery, Bismarck. Visitation will be held from 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm Thursday, October 11, at Eastgate Funeral Service, Bismarck, and will continue one hour prior to the service at the church. Russell was born on September 29, 1922, in Hazel, MN, the son of Ole and Clara Arneson Thune. He grew up on the family farm near Hazel and attended the country school near his home. He enlisted in the Navy and served in China at the end of WWII. He and his son David had the privilege of going on a Freedom Flight in June of 2011 to Washington, DC, to see the WWII Memorial. He married Jane Levorson from Grygla, MN, on June 19, 1949. Russell worked the family farm until 1959 when he and Jane moved to Bismarck, where he began work with Brady Construction. He continued working for Alvin Brady for several years and built many homes in Bismarck, including his own. He was a great carpenter who had the ability to remodel and fix nearly anything. His children and friends have all benefit from his handy-work. He and Jane loved to travel and visit family and friends on a regular basis. He was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church, Sons of Norway, the Bismarck Eagles, Elks Club, the VFW and the American Legion. Russell is survived by his wife, Jane and seven children, Lynette Marty Pitzer, Darlene Tim Shea, Patricia Dennis Bosch, David Beth Thune, Peter Thune, Bruce

Thune special friend, Nancy Schmidt, and Kevin Betty Thune. He is also survived by 15 grandchildren, Michelle Pitzer, Brian Pitzer, Beth Feenern, Chip Shea, John Shea, Andy Shea, Kristin Hager, Craig Bosch, Kara Thune, Mike Thune, Bob Thune, Erica Thune, Joel Thune, Jared Thune and Marcus Thune; 12 great-grandchildren; his sister-in-law, Myrtle Thune, Thief River Falls, MN; and special friends, Ervin and Ramona Wanner. He was preceded in death by his grandparents; his parents; brother and two sisters.

Condolences can be sent to 1214 E Boulevard Ave, Bismarck, ND, 58501. Memorials can be given to Sons of Norway or Trinity Lutheran Church.

Tribute Wall

HA

“ To the Thune family,our deepest sympathy, Russell will be missed alot, your in our prayers at this sad time .

harold and joyce arneson - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ We had a very good relationship with Mr. Thune. He did beautiful carpentry work in our home in Bismarck. Wonderful personality was outstanding. We hope to meet him when we get to heaven.

Melvin H. Walz - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ Lynette, Pete and families: So sorry for your loss. May those friends and family help ease and comfort you during your time of loss. Thinking of you all. The Renfrow's

Sharon - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ Sympathies sent from my mother Lillian Sorenson Newton of Grygla. She knows Jane from childhood days in Grygla.

Lisa Newton Swanson - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ Dear Jane & Family, I want to express my sympathy for your loss. I considered Russell a very good friend. God Bless.

Marv Wegner - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SV

“ We are so sorry for the loss of your dad and grandfather. God Bless all of you. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. Sandy, Kelly, Hayley, and Kayla VanderVorste

Sandy VanderVorste - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ Sincere condolences to you on the loss of Russ. He was a fond neighbor, and along with Jane and the 'kids' we enjoyed the friendship we had. There was never a time that we couldn't rely on the Thune family. We had just visited with Russ the day after Jane's birthday this year, and after all this time, he 'sure did remember the Lindstrom's' from across the street! He will remain in our thoughts and memories as one of the Good Guys! Marlowe, Betty, Brent, Grant, Vicki and Brad

Marlowe and Betty Lindstrom - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ Our sincere condolences to your family. Our thoughts are with you during this difficult time.

Sabrina & Art Renner - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GL

“ My deepest condolences to the entire family.

George LaFave - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Thune Family: Prayers and thoughts are with all of you during this sad time. May the many memories you have of your Father and Grandfather help ease the pain in the days ahead. God Bless!

Mary & Dennis Bartsch - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SA

“ Our sincere sympathies to the Thune family. May you find peace and comfort as you turn to the Lord at this time and in the days ahead. It was my privelege to have some of the Thune kids as students at Simle years ago.

steve & Linda Aafedt - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ Will always remember Russell Thune When he was working will Al Brady and Mr. Wanner and Tony Streiner they were very nice and good.

Marlys J Kramer - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KD

“ I met Russel when he came to the home. He was a soft spoken man, we had many talks about him and his wife Jane. There was so much love in his voice when he spoke of Jane. He was a very gentle soul and will be greatly missed. I am so glad that I got to know Russel and Jane. My heart felt sympathy for his family. May the lord be with you and yours.

Kathrine Dunn - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GK

“ I am honored to have known Russ for some 40 years. He could build or fix anything that had to do with wood. He was a perfectionist, a real craftsman. Over the years he has done much work for me and the one thing I will always remember him for is he never used a fowl word when working with a group of carpenters or by himself. What a legacy he has left.

Garrie Kessler - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CV

“ *BETH, BRUCE AND NANCY OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES.*

CAROL VOEGELE - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ *I met Russ in the early 90's threw a former employer of mine. He done some cabinet remodeling in our home. We lost a really good guy, a true craftsman, and a dam fine Norwegian! I feel blessed to have known Russ and honored to call him my friend. Good bless his wife and family in this time of great loss. R.I.P. Russell!*

John Holbrook - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JT

“ *I'll miss you Uncle Russ - Thankyou for all the good memories.*

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

SF

“ *Our deepest sympathies. Sheryl and Carson Fleck*

Sheryl Fleck - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TM

“*Russell Thune is a wonderful man. I will always remember him for his big smile and quick wit. Whenever I would see Russell, I couldn't stop smiling. He made me feel happy. Such a good man and a talented one, too. His work will be handed down for generations. His carpentry is beautiful. He would drop everything to help his family and he worked so hard. I remember him being the fix-it man. I loved seeing Jane and Russell at Darlene and Tim's over the years. I will always treasure our visits. My prayers are with his children, his grandchildren, his great grandchildren and their families. May the lessons he taught you, and all those who love him, live in us. God has welcomed home a good man. Rest in peace, Russell. You are loved.*

Trish Mohr - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MM

“*Dave - We are so sorry to hear of your dad's passing. May the grace of God and the love of family and friends give you strength in the days ahead. Mike and Julie McIntee*

Mike McIntee - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM