



Walter Heiser

April 18, 1927 - December 19, 2004

Walter Heiser, 77, Bismarck, died December 19, 2004, at a Bismarck hospital, surrounded by his family. Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, December 22, at 10:00 AM at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Bismarck. Burial will be at Fairview Cemetery. Visitation will be Tuesday from 9:00 AM - 7:30 PM at Eastgate Funeral Service, and will continue Wednesday one hour prior to the service at the church. Walter was born on April 18, 1927, at Artas, South Dakota, the son of Jacob and Emelia Oberlander Heiser. Walter was baptized and confirmed in German at the Hoffnungstal Church in Artas, South Dakota, and was very proud of that fact. He worked in the agricultural and construction industry for most of his life. Walter was united in marriage to Freida Bitz on March 30, 1948. To this union six children were born. He never met a stranger; he was at ease talking with anyone at anytime. Walter enjoyed fishing, telling stories, spending time with family and friends, sports, keeping up with local, state, and world events, gardening, and good food. But most of all, he loved his family and was delighted in the accomplishments of his children and grandchildren. Walter is survived by his wife, Freida of Bismarck; his six children, Kenneth Lorelee Heiser of Bismarck, Jerome Genine Heiser of Mahopac, New York, Merle Heiser of Bismarck, Rodney Sarah Heiser of Aberdeen, South Dakota, Karlis Kathleen Heiser of Bismarck, and JoAnn Heiser of Aberdeen, South Dakota; fourteen grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; four sisters, Clara Lasse of Souix Falls, South Dakota, Ruth Rabik of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Lillian Rutschke of Zeeland, North Dakota, and

Alice Mettler of Wall, South Dakota; and two brothers, Herbert and Floyd Heiser, both of Aberdeen, South Dakota. He was preceded in death by his parents; and three brothers, Harry, Rueben, and Elmer. Auf ver den sein, papa!