



John "Jack" Krips

August 4, 1924 - June 26, 2016

The Mass of Christian Burial for John "Jack" Krips of Battle Lake and formerly of Williston, ND and Wadena, MN, will be celebrated at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, July 1, at the St. Ann's Parish Hall in Wadena, with Father Aaron Kuhn as celebrant. Visitation will be held at the church on Friday from 9:30 a.m. until the time of service. Jack, age 91, passed away on Sunday, June 26, 2016, at the Good Samaritan Nursing Home in Battle Lake, MN, with care by Knute Nelson Hospice.

John was born to John, Sr. and Mary (Goetzinger) Krips on August 4, 1924 in Compton Township, Otter Tail County, MN. "Jack" grew to adulthood on the family farm west of Wadena and attended St. Ann's Parochial School. He farmed with his dad through the war years and then did local carpentry work.

In 1949 through 1951 he served his country in the Korean Conflict with the 39th Field Artillery Battalion. When Jack returned home from the war he headed to Williston, ND where he worked as a carpenter for 47 years. He was a hunter, fisherman, and avid gardener, raising vegetables for neighbors and friends. Jack was a member of the St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Williston.

During retirement he spent his time raising a large garden and cutting wood and enjoying his daily coffee with friends at Murphy Motors. In 2014 Jack moved to the Battle Lake Good Samaritan Home, where he died after being ill for only a short time.

John was preceded in death by his parents John, Sr. and Mary; brothers Clarence, Leo, Joe and Jim Krips; sisters, Genevieve Vassar, Florence Koch, Helen Hoffman, Irene Hoffman, Frances Tigges, Mary Spahn and Dorothy Lorenz; along with seven nephews & a niece.

He will remain in the memories of 32 nieces and nephews; and missed by his beloved basset hound, Joe.

Serving as pallbearers will be Tom Spahn, Rod Spahn, Reggie Jackson, Greg Jackson, Don Jackson and Travis Kolden.

Burial will be in the Calvary Cemetery, Wadena, MN.

Cemetery

Calvary Cemetery

Franklin Dr. & 6th St SW
Wadena, MN, 56482

Events

JUL **Visitation** 09:30AM - 11:00AM

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St. Ann's Parish Hall
514 2nd St. SE, Wadena, MN, US, 56482

JUL **Service** 11:00AM - 12:00PM

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Comments



“ I remember my Uncle Jack mostly when I was young as he did not live in Wadena after serving in the Korean War. During the war, mother would have us kids, (Virginia, myself and Mike) pray for Jack's safe return, every night before going to bed. I do remember some of Jack's visits to Wadena after I was older and stayed the weekends with mother and dad (Helen and Hubert Hoffman). Since Jack was the last surviving unclie/aunt, It is the end of an era. I will continue to keep Jack in my daily prayers. Let God take care of Jack in heaven.

Mary Williams(Hoffman) Eagan, MN

Mary Williams(Hoffman) - July 03, 2016 at 09:06 AM



“ My first memory of my Uncle Jack was him throwing me way above his head and catching me . We always looked forward to him coming to stay for a week while he visited all his brothers and sisters around Wadena. It wasn't until recent years that he told us the stories of Korea. He said he slept on the cold ground for ten months. One day I brought up on the computer all about his Artillery Battalion and even found a guy's record from his foxhole who died there, Jack was so amazed and said: "Where do you get one of these things"; meaning the computer.

Becky Jackson - June 28, 2016 at 11:16 AM



“ I remember when was just alittle girl, shoot around 5, and uncle Jack came down to Harmony MN. He was our helper with us kids for awhile when mom couldn't because of medical reasons. So can ya see a single man helping with 3 kids under 11? I love ya uncle Jack

Mary Ellinghuysen - June 27, 2016 at 09:03 PM



“ My sincere condolences to the family of Jack Krips. May you find comfort in your loving memories, and in God's promise to soon "swallow up death forever" and "wipe away the tears from all faces." (Isaiah 25;8) With deepest sympathy

V. Thompson - June 27, 2016 at 05:45 PM