



Albert Olson

July 25, 1910 - December 4, 2008

Albert Helmer Olson was born on July 25, 1910 in Lake Park, MN to his parents Gustaf & Vendla (Selvine) Olson. He passed away on Thurs., Dec. 4th at the Lakewood Care Center in Staples. After graduation Albert worked in the newspaper business as a pressman. He enlisted in the US Navy in 1942 and was honorably discharged in 1945. After leaving the Navy he returned to the printing business. He was united in marriage to Beatrice Viola Zakariansen on July 31, 1948. Albert and Beatrice made their home in International Falls for 11 years before moving to Brainerd where they lived for 9 years. They moved to Staples in 1968 where Albert retired from teaching printing at the Staples Technical College. Albert was a member of Faith Lutheran Church where he was quite active. He was instrumental in starting the Food Shelf in Staples. Albert enjoyed fishing in both summer and winter, duck hunting, cutting wood and spending time with his family. His family treasures all the walks, bike rides, wise advice and his sense of humor. As he married later in life his hope was to live long enough for his grandchildren to remember him. He lived to welcome 3 great-grandchildren. He was quite the handyman and could fix just about anything. Albert was preceded in death by his parents; brothers Walter and Palmer; sister Mayme. He is survived by his loving wife of 60 years, Beatrice; daughters Debra Olson of Minneapolis and Cindi (Larry) Mertens of Roseau; grandsons Jacob (Kelly) and Dustin (Erica); great-grandchildren Memphis, Mack & Trey and his sister Evelyn Halladay of Mission Viejo, CA. Funeral services will be held on Monday, December 8th at

2:00 PM in the Faith Lutheran Church in Staples with Pastor Steve Sveom officiating. Burial will take place in the Evergreen Cemetery in Brainerd at a later date.