



Andrew Tigges

December 24, 1923 - December 17, 2003

Andrew L. Tigges, of Wadena, was born on Dec. 24, 1923 to Joseph and Mary (Busche) Tigges in Compton Township. Andy passed away on Dec. 17, 2003 at Tri-County Hospital in Wadena at the age of 79 years. He graduated from Wadena High School in 1941. Andy served in the US Navy from 1943 to 1946. He married Doris Jean Gilbertson on Oct. 13, 1947 at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Wadena. Doris Jean passed away on Aug. 25, 1956. Andy married Norma Johnson on Sept. 27, 1958. He was employed by Minnesota Motors, was a truck driver for 15 years for Swift & Company, and retired from Huber Motors. Andy enjoyed reading, bird watching, walking, gardening, and bicycling. Andy is preceded in death by his first wife - Doris Jean; his parents; sister - Rita Blessing; and brothers - Richard, Bernard, Walter, Anthony, and Arnold. Andy is survived by his wife - Norma; daughters - Barb Loesch of Northfield, Mary Jo (Bruce) Carlson of Apple Valley, and Linda (Rick) Youngbauer of Wadena; sons - Michael (Susan) of Oakland, CA, David (Kathy) of Minnestrista, and Tony (Karen) of Alexandria; 9 grandchildren; and sister - Theresa Carrillo of Sacramento, CA. The Funeral Mass was held Friday, Dec. 20, at 11:00 AM at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Wadena with Fr. Albert Holmes and Fr. Ron Schmelzer celebrating the Mass. Interment was in the Calvary Cemetery in Wadena. Pallbearers were Aaron, Adam, and Nick Loesch; Kelsey and Stacey Tigges; Katie Youngbauer; and Scott, Tawny, and Troy Carlson. Military Honors were provided by Elmer Goche Post 3922 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Wadena.

Tribute Wall

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“ I will never forget the way Andy's great hugs felt. He was a great hugger. And his great sense of humor. Lots of teasing! A typical Tigges. He and Norma were such great friends to Mom and Dad. I especially remember growing up Andy always called me "Janny Kay". And that made me feel special. Still does.

Janice Tigges - December 17, 2003 at 12:00 AM