



Donald Hammond

June 15, 1932 - February 21, 2011

Funeral services for Donald Ladale Hammond of Eagle Bend were held at 1:00 PM on Saturday, February 26, 2011 at the United Methodist Church in Eagle Bend with Pastor Gerry Vuchetich presiding. Donald passed away at the age of 78 years on Monday, February 21, 2011 at the Golden Living Center in Henning. Donald was born on June 15, 1932 to Leon and Gladys (Nelson) Hammond in Eagle Bend. He began his service to his country on February 6, 1953 when he joined the US Army. While on leave, he was united in marriage with Reta Pauline Ellzey on July 10, 1954 at the United Methodist parsonage in Clarissa. After spending most of his service time at Ft. Leonard Wood, MO, he was honorably discharged on February 4, 1955 and returned to Eagle Bend. Donald was a farmer. Before entering the service, he spent a short time working in Fairbanks, Alaska and also worked for a couple of years at the Diamond Match Company in Cloquet, MN in their wood department, but he loved to work on the farm. He enjoyed spending time fishing, playing cards and when he was younger, liked to dance. Donald was preceded in death by his wife Pauline on February 9, 2011; his parents Leon and Gladys; brothers LaRoy, Gerald and 2 infant brothers; and sister Marlene Klimek and an infant sister. He is survived by his brother Darald (Carol) of Eagle Bend; sisters Lucille (Marlyn) Hagedorn of Eagle Bend, Dorothy Nordstrom of Eagle Bend and Leilo (Darrel) Lorenz of Duluth, MN; and many nieces and nephews. Military honors were provided by the MNARNG Honor Guard. Honorary pallbearers were Donald's nieces and nephews. Pallbearers were Aaron

Willie, Jason Willie, Russell Hammond, Robert Nordstrom, Chad Willie and Glendon Johnson. Interment was in the Pleasant Mound Cemetery in Leslie Township.