



## Eldon Maland

November 30, 1939 - January 13, 2012

Funeral services for Eldon James Maland of rural Eagle Bend were held at 10:30 AM on Wednesday, January 18, 2012 at the Faith Lutheran Church in Eagle Bend with Pastor Melissa Ehrhardt presiding. Eldon passed away at the age of 72 years on Friday, January 13, 2012 at his home in Burleene Township. Eldon was born on November 30, 1939 to Miles and Velma (Conley) Maland at their home in Todd County. He graduated high school and began his service to his country when he enlisted in the US Navy on June 18, 1957. He was honorably discharged on October 28, 1960 and returned to Todd County. He was united in marriage with Betty Jane Wolf on April 21, 1962 in Eagle Bend. Eldon worked rockpicking and landscaping around the area. He enjoyed bowling and spending his time outdoors hunting, fishing and camping. He also loved spending time with all of his family and friends. Eldon was preceded by his parents Miles and Velma; brothers John and Kermit; and sister Mavis Gerlach. He is survived by his wife of over 49 years, Betty; sons Brian (Catherine) of Browerville and Eugene (Barb) of Eagle Bend; daughters Lonnie (Ron) Sandmeyer of Eagle Bend, Denise Schultz of Eagle Bend and Karrie (Jeff) Tesch of Burtrum; 14 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren; and godchildren Dave Wolf Sr. of Rock Falls, IL, Dave Wolf Jr. of Inglewood, CA and Wanda Runge of Eagle Bend. He is also survived by brothers Bob (Geraldine) of Elk River and Donnie (Liz) of Long Prairie; sister Alice Ann (Ralph) Sanders of Alexandria; and sisters-in-law Shirley (Wolf) Maland of Eagle Bend and Alice (Wolf) Maland of Arizona. Honorary pallbearers were

Eldon's grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Pallbearers were Alan Braatz, Ryan Sandmeyer, Clay Sandmeyer, Shawn Dause, Jordan Maland and Jeremy Schultz . Military honors were provided by MNARNG Honor Guard assisted by the American Legion Post #280 and Veterans of Foreign Wars post #6318 of Eagle Bend. Funeral escort and honor guard provided by the Wadena and Little Falls Patriot Guard. Interment was in the Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery located at Camp Ripley, Little Falls, MN.

# Tribute Wall

BM

“ *I remember Dad as always being quick witted, making you laugh and smile. I will truly miss Him.*

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**Brian&Catherine Maland** - January 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ *My deepest sympathy to Betty and family.*

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**Bob Schwartz** - January 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ *May he rest in peace, Prayers go out to the family.*

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**Jerome and Vee Ann Patzner** - January 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ *Brian,  
I am truly sorry for your loss. Praying that you will remain strong and remember all the good times you shared with your father.  
Melody*

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**Melody Trom-Bennett** - January 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM

EP

“ *We sympathize in your loss and you are in our thoughts and prayers.  
We will miss his visits and laughter.*

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**Ellen Berkness & Paul** - January 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM