



Eldon Oothoudt

May 28, 1923 - March 9, 2011

Former Wadena resident, Eldon Samuel Oothoudt was born on May 28, 1923, to Vernon A. and Hazel F. (Nutter) Oothoudt in Cushing, Morrison County, MN. He passed away on March 9, 2011 at the age of 87, at the Elder's Home in New York Mills. Eldon served as a United States Merchant Marine during WWII from December 22, 1943 until his honorable discharge on July 11, 1945. After returning home, Eldon and Adelaide D. Schwanke were united in marriage on November 24, 1945 in Little Falls. He lived in the Wadena area for over 51 years and worked as a mechanic. In his free time he enjoyed spending time with his family, and pursuing his interests of hunting, fishing, camping, gardening, and appreciating the outdoors. Eldon was preceded in death by his wife Adelaide on March 28, 2009; his parents Vernon and Hazel; son Randy Oothoudt; grandson Wade Oothoudt; and brother Orval Oothoudt. He is survived by children Sandy (Richard) Wussow, Brian (Joni) of Wadena, both of Wadena, and Dawn (Don) Koenning of Abilene, TX; eight grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren. Memorial services were held at 3:00 p.m. on March 11, 2011 at the Christian & Missionary Alliance Church in Verndale, with Pastor David Cotner officiating. Honorary pallbearers were Randy Oothoudt, Jr., Jason Spake, Joshua Spake, and Matthew Oothoudt.

Tribute Wall

AP

“ Wanda was such a sweet lady, I truly enjoyed waiting on her and the "ladies" at the Elks.

Amanda Peterson - March 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

PT

“ We will miss our dear friends, Addie and Eldon! Your family is in our thoughts and prayers! God bless you.

Pat Tuorila - March 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ We are so sorry for your loss. We lost my parents two years apart as well. Duane always liked Al. Along with you, we will miss him. You are in our hearts and prayers. Trana's

Duane, Donna and Tracy Trana - March 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ I worked with EL at jacobson oil in the early 70 s a very neat guy. he once told me .

A BOTTLE OF SWEAT OIL
PERSEVALANCE
AND DETERMATION
WILL GET YOU ANY THING YOU WANT

A friend BUTCH TEBERG

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