



## Eugene Cooney

July 17, 1931 - September 21, 2003

Eugene Thomas Cooney was born to his parents James & Margaret (Daly) Cooney on July 17, 1931 in Watertown, SD. He passed away at his apartment in Humphrey Manor in Wadena this past Sunday. Eugene served in the US Air Force overseas from January 1951 to October 1953. After returning from the service he was united in marriage to Joan G. Sweere in 1955 in Staples. Joan and Eugene were married for 17 years. During his working years, Eugene worked as a carpenter. He was a member of the Elmer Goche Post 3922, VFW of Wadena. He lived in Wadena for most of his life. He enjoyed hunting and fishing in his young years and loved flowers and birds. Gene was also a great fan of football and the Minnesota Vikings. Gene was preceded in death by his parents; brothers James, John & William. He is survived by his sons; Daniel of Wadena, Timothy of St. Joseph and Donald of St. Cloud; daughter Yvonne of St. Cloud; grandchildren Daniel, Brian, David, Blayne, Steven, Sara, Michaela, Jordan, Samuel & Sean; brother Terence of Alaska and sisters Mary Lockert of Wisconsin and Irene Stellan of North Dakota. His grandchildren served as his pallbearers and honorary pallbearers.