



Kenneth Shamp

May 5, 1924 - June 28, 2010

Funeral services for Kenneth William “Bill” Shamp of Bertha were held at 2:00 PM on Friday, July 2, 2010 at the New Life Church of God in Bertha with Pastor Mark Brown presiding. Bill passed away at the age of 86 years on Monday, June 28, 2010 at the Tri-County Hospital in Wadena. Bill was born on May 5, 1924 to Charles and Flossie (Wright) Shamp at their home in Woodside Township, Otter Tail County. He lived in rural Parkers Prairie on the family farm most of his life. He attended District 173 Dobson country school and was drafted into the US Army on November 28, 1944. In 1945 he was shipped to Germany where he was a light truck driver. He also served in Africa, France and Italy. He was honorably discharged on August 24, 1946 and returned home to the farm where he did odd jobs and worked in the woods to get pulp. Bill was united in marriage with Dora Mae Wassink on July 12, 1949 and they made their home on a farm in rural Parkers Prairie for the next 30 years. He worked as a police officer in Parkers Prairie for a few years while continuing to run the family farm. In 2002 they moved into Bertha for health reasons. Bill loved to joke around and be with his family, especially his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He enjoyed the outdoors hunting, fishing, riding four-wheeler and just having fun. He enjoyed life to the fullest and hoped that others enjoyed the time also. One thing that can be said about Bill is that he was always willing to help and make you smile. He always made sure that his family was taken care of and did his best to never let them go without. He would cut wood to sell so that his children had a Christmas to remember. He will be remembered as a loving and caring husband, father, grandfather and friend. He will be missed by his family and those who knew him. Bill was preceded in death by his wife Dora in 2008; parents Charles and Flossie; brothers Ray, John and James; and sisters Mary Davidson, Mable Pettit, Louise Gebert and Lillian Sutton. He is survived by his children Ronald (Pam) of Maplewood, William of Moorhead, Betty Shamp of Bertha, Rita Shamp of Windom, Sandy Snook of Bertha, Danny (Barb) of Clarissa, Terri (Ronald) Dahlvang of Verndale and Shelly Shamp of Watertown, SD; 15 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren; sister Marian Shultz of Hewitt; and many nieces, nephews and friends. Military Honors were provided by the Veteran’s of Foreign Wars post 6318 and American Legion Post 280 of Eagle Bend. Honorary pallbearers were Bill’s grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Pallbearers were Rodney Pierce, Randy Shamp,

Larry Shultz, Adam Shamp, Stacy Hofferbert and John Shamp. Interment was in the Oak Valley Cemetery, rural Hewitt.

Tribute Wall

BC

“ Teri, Adam, Medley and rest of family,

I will miss "Bill" as will so many others. Take care of each other through this difficult time. My prayers are with you all...and my hugs are free.

Beth

Beth Crosno - June 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ Terri

I was so sorry to hear of Bill's death. He was just being admitted when I left work Sun. You were always so attentive to your parents needs. You will have fond memories. Both of your parents seem to enjoy life and now they are reunited.

Peace

Bonnie Schlecht - June 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ We have been providing homemaking services to Bill for a year now. He was always so appreciative and so very friendly, he will certainly be missed. Our sympathies go out to all of the family, our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Adele Lausten

Rhonda Koehler

Linda Moore

Lake Country Home Care - June 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ To my dearest friend Terrie and to Medley, Betty and Sandy I am so sorry for the loss of your dad. He was a great person and will be missed terribly. My thoughts and prayers are will all of you at this time.

Love Mary

Mar Wood - June 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM