



Leonard Christiansen

April 30, 1923 - February 19, 2004

Leonard Walter Christiansen was born to his parents Charles & Anna (Johnson) Christiansen in Eagle Bend on April 30, 1923. He passed away on Feb. 19th at his daughters home in Temecula, California. Leonard was a WWII veteran having served as a US Navy SeaBee from 1945 to 1946. After his discharge he returned to Minnesota where he worked as an automobile serviceman manager in the Minneapolis area before retiring. After his retirement in 1986 he moved to the Wadena area where he enjoyed woodworking, fixing cars, traveling, and visiting with his friends and relatives. Leonard was united in marriage to Ruth Baker on Nov. 13, 1993 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Wadena. He was also a life member of the VFW. Leonard was preceded in death by his parents; his first wife Irene and a brother Elmer. He is survived by his wife Ruth of Wadena; sons John Baker of Anchor Point, AK, Jim Baker of Temecula, CA, & David Baker of Bemidji; daughters Sharon Krause of Ottertail, Barb Butler of Coon Rapids, Sheila Uselman of Yucca Valley, CA, Lona Baker of Huntington Beach, CA, Patty Sather of Temecula, CA, Carol Henke of Fallbrook, CA & Lori Yerbich of Puposky; 28 grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren; and his brothers Lawrence (Florence) of Wadena and Guy (Pauline) of Brainerd. Burial will take place in the Hope Lutheran Cemetery in Eagle Bend following the services.