



Walter Ehnes

September 23, 1929 - August 25, 2009

Memorial services for Walter Frank Ehnes of Eagle Bend were held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, August 29, 2009 at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Eagle Bend with Reverend Chad Czischke presiding. Walter passed away at the age of 79 years on Tuesday, August 25, 2009 at the VA Medical Center in Fargo. Walt was born on September 23, 1929 to Henry and Connie Ehnes at their home in Wykeham Township. He was baptized and confirmed at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Eagle Bend. He served his country in the US Army's 1st Cavalry from 1952 until his honorable discharge in 1953. He spent the rest of his life living and working on the family farm. He was united in marriage with Mary Ann Hagelstrom at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Clarissa on June 17, 1958. Walt was a member of the Veteran's of Foreign Wars, the Eagle Bend and Prairie Duster's Saddle Club. His hobbies included farming and raising cattle, hogs and horses. His greatest enjoyment was going on trail rides in South Dakota with Mary Ann. They were both avid horseback riders. His health has been fading for the last 25 years, so his son Kevin has been helping Mary Ann run the family farm. In 2000, he and Mary Ann were chosen as "Farm Family of the Year" which he was very proud of. He also enjoyed hosting the Ehnes Family Reunion at the farm in 2004. Walt was preceded in death by his parents Henry and Connie Ehnes; brother Elmer Ehnes; and brother-in-law Irven Bender. He is survived by his wife Mary Ann; sons Kevin (Wannetta) and Kirk, both of Eagle Bend; sisters Lily (Ray) Pockrandt of West Des Moines, IA and Irene Bender of Dassel; and many

nieces, nephews and cousins. Honorary pallbearers were all of Walt's family friends and neighbors. Special honorary pallbearers were his companions Paint, Barney and Hugo. Military honors provided by the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 6318 and the American Legion Post 280 of Eagle Bend. Interment was at the MN State Veteran's Cemetery at Little Falls.

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“ *Dear MaryAnn and family,*

Another good man has left this earth - you certainly do have my condolences. God bless Walt's memory and God bless you all. May you feel God's presence in your family and friends at this time.

Jeri Nelson

Jerise (Jeri) Nelson - August 25, 2009 at 12:00 AM