



Willard Huelsnitz

August 6, 1918 - May 10, 2003

Willard Frederick Huelsnitz was born on August 8, 1918 at the family home in Stowe Prairie Township (rural Bertha) to August and Alvina (Drawbert) Huelsnitz. He attended country schools and worked on the family farm. He was united in marriage with Ethel Johnson in Henning, MN on October 12, 1941. Willie retired from being a metal shop foreman after working for Homecrest Mfg. for 25 years. In his spare time, he enjoyed woodworking, hunting and fishing. In 2001, he moved to the Central Todd County Care Center after living in Bertha his entire life. He passed away there on May 10, 2003 at the age of 84. Willard was preceded in death by his parents August and Alvina; brothers Victor and Bernard; sisters Elsie Swanson, Orvilla Schimmel and Velma Bullard; and 3 grandsons. He is survived by his wife Ethel of Clarissa; sons Gary & Ellen of Askov, MN, Curtis & Sue Kuehn of Elk River, MN, and Roger & Denise of Homeville, GA; daughters Katherine & Lyle Boehland of Apple Valley, MN, Marian & Wallace Esteb of Coon Rapids, MN and Candace Decker of Champlin, MN; 14 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren; brother Henry of Champlin, MN; and sisters Bernice Pearson of Clarissa, MN, Glenna Beck of Grand Rapids, MN, Hellen Schaefer of St. Paul, MN and Elverna Gossel of Bertha, MN. Pallbearers were Steven Huelsnitz, Adam Decker, Clarence Nyberg, David Goetze, Roger Huelsnitz, Jr. and Brad Gossel. Interment was in St. Paul's Lutheran Cemetery in Bertha Township.

Tribute Wall

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“ You certainly have our sympathy. We enjoyed working with your Dad over many years. If you think we can help in some way, feel free to call.

Jim & JoAnn White - May 10, 2003 at 12:00 AM

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“ I saw of relection of this man and woman in their children and grandchildren.

Marlin Gregerson - May 10, 2003 at 12:00 AM

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“ I am so thankful for the time I spent with Grandpa and Grandma last weekend. Since I moved to Arizona, I had not taken the time to come and visit my Grandparents. Although it had been over two years, Grandpa recognized me right away! I am so blessed that I chose the time that I did to be with Grandpa when we was feeling talkative; getting stronger every day from his previous heart attack. In fact, we joked about the nurses being concerned that he was eating well enough?he was cleaning his plate and snacking between meals when I was there! My regret is that my husband and children did not get the same opportunity as I did. When I kissed Grandpa Goodbye last week, I whispered in his ear, ?The kids will be coming to see you in just eight short weeks Grandpa!? Although I am not there now to say Goodbye, I will always have the wonderful memories of my visit.

Jacqueline Shirif (Esteb) - May 10, 2003 at 12:00 AM