



Albert S. Latka

December 31, 1913 - August 24, 2012

Glendive, Montana: Albert Simon Latka, age 98, passed away on Friday, August 17, 2012 at the Eastern Montana Veterans Home in Glendive. Visitation will be from 10:00 A.M. until 5:00 P.M. and 6:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M. with a Vigil service being held at 7:00 P.M. on Thursday, August 23, 2012 in the Chapel of the Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home in Glendive. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10:00 A.M. on Friday, August 24, 2012 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Glendive with Father Joseph Ponessa officiating. Rite of Committal with military honors will be in the Dawson Memorial Cemetery in Glendive. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive has been entrusted with the arrangements. Albert was born on December 31, 1913 the son of Frank and Agnes (Potonietz) Latka in Glendive. He was raised and educated in Dawson County where he attended the Upper Cracker Box School through the eighth grade. Albert worked on the family farm as well as various other farms and ranches in the area as a hired hand and he was quite skilled at breaking horses. In 1941, Albert moved to Batavia, Illinois, where he built furniture for the Sears-Roebuck company's catalog and stores. When Uncle Sam needed Albert's help, he enlisted in the United States Army in 1942. He served as a medic in the South Pacific during World War II. After three years of service, Albert received his honorable discharge and returned to Glendive. Albert met Anna Geiger and two months later they were united in marriage on April 22, 1950 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Glendive. To this union two daughters were born. Albert continued to farm and ranch until

1960 when he started working construction. He built everything from schools and houses to roads and bridges. Albert retired in 1979, but he never truly quit working. You could find him shingling a house into his 90's. After his wife passed away in 1998, Albert spent almost everyday helping at the senior citizens center, he was kind of a "fixture" there. Albert enjoyed dancing, playing cards, playing pool and raising prize winning chickens and rabbits. He loved gardening, woodworking and building cedar picture frames. Most of all, Albert always made sure he was busy, he was always working or tinkering on something. He especially loved spending time with his grandchildren; hoping to instill a thought or two or teach them a trade or skill. He was a member of the Moose Lodge #949, the VFW Post #1125 and a lifetime member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife Anna; three brothers, Jake, Tony and John and three sisters, Annie Pisk, Rosie Olson and Sophie Mittlieder. Survivors include two daughters, Donna (Jim) Stanfill of Glendive and Linda (Bob) Teets of Kalispell, Montana; five grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren with one on the way and numerous nieces and nephews. Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at: www.silvernale-silhafuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Albert S. Latka*

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