



Charles Schepens

January 21, 1917 - September 28, 2012

Glendive, Montana: Charles Schepens, age 95, passed away on Sunday, September 23, 2012 at the Glendive Medical Center Extended Care in Glendive. Visitation will be held from 10:00 A.M. until 5:00 P.M. and 6:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M. on Thursday, September 27, 2012 at the Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home in Glendive. A Vigil service will be held at 7:00 P.M. on Thursday, September 27, 2012 in the Chapel of the Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home in Glendive. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 2:00 P.M. on Friday, September 28, 2012 at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Glendive with Father Joseph Ponessa Officiating. Rite of Committal will be held in the Dawson Memorial Cemetery in Glendive. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive has been entrusted with the arrangements. Charles was born on January 21, 1917 in Glendive, the second son of John and Ernstena (Frankenburg) Schepens. He was raised and educated in the Glendive area, attending Deer Creek School until the eighth grade and graduating from Dawson County High School with the class of 1934. Following graduation, Charles was employed by a neighbor's ranch (Sattler Brothers), putting up hay during the summer months. In 1940, the Sattler Brothers sold their ranch and Charles went to work for another rancher, Emmett Mickelson doing farm and ranch work. He continued working on the Mickelson's ranch until his dad's health issues caused him to return home and help there. On September 11, 1944, Charles's dad passed away and he and his mother took over the operation of the ranch. In the fall of 1957, Charles went to work for the local

sales yard which he continued for fifteen years along with taking care of his own work on the farm. In 1966, Charles stayed with his sister Gertrude after a tragic accident on highway 16 resulted in the death of her husband. He helped Gertrude out with her three girls and he continued running the family farm. In 1980, Gertrude passed away six days after her 57th birthday, and Charles continued to stay with Connie Udem as she had taken over her mother's house and land. Charles attended the Senior Citizens Center one Saturday night after church as they were having a dance, something he hadn't been to for a number of years. He enjoyed the dance that night, as this was something he continued to go to more. During one of these dances he met a very nice lady, Alma Brown. They dated for several years before uniting in marriage on December 15, 1989 in the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Glendive, and to this union Charles gained a family. Charles was a secretary for the Farmer's Union Board; he was a member of the Knights of Columbus, Deer Creek Saddle Club, Moose Lodge, Single's Club and Montana Senior Citizens Association. Charles and Alma loved going dancing and many other social activities. Charles was preceded in death by his parents, John and Ernstena Schepens; brothers, Henry, Leo and Fred; and one sister, Gertrude. Survivors include his wife, Alma Schepens, of Glendive; stepchildren, Jeanie (George) Mahlstedt of Circle, Montana, Kathy Hicks of Ronan, Montana; step grandchildren, Tana (Ross) Canen and their children, Tienna, Alexis and Corinne all of Glendive, Trista (Chad) Armstrong and their children, Kyra, Klancy and Kaden; sister, Tena Brown of Glendive; sisters-in-law, Edith Schepens of Glendive and Elizabeth Schepens of Wichita Falls, Texas and numerous nieces and nephews. Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at: www.silvernale-silhafuneralhome.com.

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“ *Charles Schepens*

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