



Ervin Schelske

April 9, 1913 - April 19, 2007

Ervin Schelske, age 94, of Glendive, went to be with his Lord on Sunday, April 15, 2007 at the Glendive Medical Center Extended Care Facility. Funeral services will be held at 10:00 A.M., Thursday, April 19, 2007 at the Evangelical Church of North America in Glendive with Pastor Robert Canen officiating. Interment will be in the Hardin Fairview Cemetery in Hardin, Montana. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive is entrusted with arrangements. Ervin was born on April 9, 1913 in Stutsman County, Woodworth, North Dakota, the son of Gottlieb and Louise (Schatz) Schelske. He attended a country school and graduated from the eighth grade. He married Elsie Hoersch on October 19, 1935 in a Medina, North Dakota country church. They farmed near Woodworth until 1939 when they moved to Hardin, Montana where he worked for a farmer for a short time and then went to work for Sawyer's Grocery Store. In 1943, Ervin and his family purchased a small irrigated farm south of Hardin where they resided until 1958. Erv also did custom harvesting in Big Horn County. After selling the farm, he purchased a Case Implement Dealership and machine shop. After selling the business, he and his wife were cottage parents at the Miles City Pine Hills School for two years. He got into financial management with Investors Diversified, covering several counties in northeastern Montana, living in Sidney for a time before settling in Glendive. After his retirement from IDS, he worked for Offerman and Company until retiring at the age of 87 years old. Ervin enjoyed catching big Northern Pike and Walleye in the Canadian lakes of Saskatchewan, Manitoba,

Ontario from 1947 until 1981. He also took many fishing trips to Lake Sakakawea with friends - spending more time fishing in North Dakota than in Montana. He also enjoyed hunting pheasants through the Big Horn, Tongue Rivers and Yellowstone River valleys. Trap shooting with the Circle Gun Club was Sunday afternoon entertainment, bringing home many a ham, bacon and turkey. Erv was an active church member all of his life wherever he lived. A student of the Bible, Erv enjoyed teaching junior high Sunday School. He also served as a board member and was involved with music - he especially enjoyed singing in the quartet. Erv was preceded in death by his wife Elsie in July 1985 and a son, Larry in 1973. In October of 1986 he married Lillian Karch of Baker, Montana and they celebrated 20 years of marriage. Ervin is survived by his wife Lillian of Glendive; a son, Ron Schelske and his wife Donna of Helena, Montana; a daughter, Darlene Wolleat and her husband Paul of St. Paul, Minnesota; stepsons, Arnold Karch and his wife Dorothy of Belgrade, Montana, Jim Karch and his wife Marlene of Baker, Montana; stepdaughters, Janice Wolenetz of Baker, Montana, Bonnie Newberry of Glendive; Marilyn Losing and her husband Robert of Baker, Sherry Erickson and her husband Dennis of Baker and Sandy Henry and her husband Kel of Sidney, Montana; two brothers, Harold Schelske of Fargo, North Dakota and Ben Schelske of Carlsbad, California; his sister, Esther Holzworth of Mariposa, California; and many grandchildren and great grandchildren. Memorials are suggested to the Evangelical Church of North America, 118 W. Borden Street, Glendive, MT 59330 or to the Glendive Medical Center Hospice, 117 B. Kendrick Avenue, Glendive, MT 59330.

Tribute Wall



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