



Harold Nellans

January 27, 1916 - April 21, 2005

Harold Erwin Nellans, age 89, of Glendive, passed away on Sunday, April 17, 2005 at the Glendive Medical Center. Memorial services will be held at 2:00 P.M., Thursday, April 21, 2005 in the United Methodist Church in Glendive with Pastor T.C. Chatman officiating. Interment with military honors will be in the Dawson County Cemetery in Glendive. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive is entrusted with arrangements. Harold was born on January 27, 1916 in Glendive, Montana, the son of Carey and Ethel (Todd) Nellans. Ethel Nellans died when Harold was eight. He then lived with his uncle and aunt, Bert and Bertha Butler in Glendive until he was ten years old. Harold moved to south St. Paul, Minnesota to live with his uncle, Lawrence Todd and his grandmother, Ella Todd. After graduating from high school in 1933 in south St. Paul, Harold moved back to Montana and began building houses and working in heavy construction for Holm Construction, Johnson and Udem Construction. Harold and Kathryn (Batzer) were married on February 21, 1942 in Glendive. At that time, Harold was in the United States Army where he served for four years during World War II. He was honorably discharged as a 1st LT. C. E in November 1945. Harold retired from the construction business in 1980. After retirement, he enjoyed playing bridge, golfing, wood carving and beating his grandsons at gin rummy. He created many beautiful birds and other animals and chip carved plates. In January he was the featured artist at the art gallery. Harold did much volunteer work for his community. He refinished the chairs in the Glendive Public Library, helped with the gazebo

roof, worked on the A frame and the art gallery. He also served four terms on the city council from April 1955 until December 1961. Harold was preceded in death by his daughter, Patricia Royson in 2002. Survivors include his wife, Kathryn of Glendive; his daughter, Mary Whysong of Mesa, Arizona; four grandsons, Steven and David Whysong and Philip and Scott Royston.

Tribute Wall



“ *Harold Nellans*

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