



## Ray O. "Frenchy" DeBeaumont

November 2, 1916 - November 2, 2012

Glendive, Montana: Raymond O. "Frenchy" DeBeaumont, age 95, of Glendive, Montana, passed away on Sunday, October 28, 2012, at the Eastern Montana Veterans Home in Glendive. Visitation will be from 10:00 A.M. until 5:00 P.M. and from 6:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M. on Thursday, November 1, 2012 at the Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home in Glendive. Funeral Services will be at 10:00 A.M. on Friday, November 2, 2012 at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Glendive with Pastor James Hageman officiating. Interment with military honors will be in the Dawson County Cemetery in Glendive. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive has been entrusted with the arrangements. Ray was born in Glendive on November 2, 1916, the son of Charles and Ida (Franzen) DeBeaumont. He was raised on the family homestead south of Glendive and educated in Glendive. During WWII, he served with the United States Coast Guard patrolling the East and West coasts and serving in the Mediterranean theater where he was awarded the Purple Heart Medal on September 10, 1943 for injuries received during action. Ray was honorably discharged from military service on September 15, 1945 at the rank of Chief Motor Machinist's Mate. He was extremely proud to have served his country. Ray was united in marriage on July 29, 1944, to Hertha "Toni" Mutzenberger in Oakland, California. Following his discharge from military service, Ray and Toni returned to Glendive where they raised their children and happily lived out their lives. Upon his return to Glendive Ray operated the B&D Body Shop until 1957 at which time he joined Farmers

Insurance Group. Ray was also an active real estate agent specializing in farm and ranch property. Ray was a member of the Glendive Moose Lodge, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Glendive Elks Lodge, local Good Sam Club and a member of Our Savior Lutheran Church. He also was a member of the Pappy's Auto Polo team that entertained crowds in the early 1950's. Ray enjoyed hunting, fishing, boating, and RV'ing with his Good Sam friends. He especially enjoyed spending time visiting, joking, and swapping stories with his "buddies". He was preceded in death by his beloved wife of 64 years, his parents, one brother Albert and three sisters: Esther Phillips, Helen Wetzel, and Vivian "Binnie" Nentwig. He is survived by one son, Jerry DeBeaumont and his wife, JoAnn of Maricopa, Arizona and their children, Traci (Dustin) Evans, Troy (Amber) DeBeaumont, Heidi Chouinard (Scott), Cory (Janor) Shantz and Josh (Tracy) Shantz; daughters, Ann Doll of Phoenix, Arizona and her daughter, Amy Doll; and Sharon (Steve) Schmitz of Glendive and their children, Aaron Schmitz and Alicia (Craig) Brown; and one sister Hazel Lynch of San Ramon, California; eleven great grandchildren, Katherine Evans, Brandon Basiak, Nicholas Glaser, Madelyne Shantz, Daniel Shantz, Nathan Shantz, Samantha Shantz, Charlene Shantz, Bailey Brown, Kayla Brown and Kaitlin Brown and numerous nieces and nephews. Memorials are suggested to Our Savior Lutheran Church, Glendive, Montana. Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at: [www.silvernale-silhafuneralhome.com](http://www.silvernale-silhafuneralhome.com)

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