



Richard Nistler

April 12, 1928 - October 9, 2006

Richard Louis Nistler of Glendive, age 78, died at his home on Wednesday night, October 4, 2006. A Vigil Service will be held at 7:00 P.M., Sunday, October 8, 2006 in the Chapel of the Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home in Glendive. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11:00 A.M., Monday, October 9, 2006 at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Glendive with Father Joseph Ponessa officiating. Rite of Committal will be in the Dawson Memorial Cemetery in Glendive. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive is entrusted with arrangements. Born at Beach, North Dakota on April 12, 1928, he was the oldest child of Lawrence and Irene (Sifert) Nistler of Wibaux. He grew up on the family farm near Wibaux, graduating from Wibaux High School in 1946. He attended auctioneer school in Iowa before returning to Wibaux County to begin farming. During winters, he worked at a Wibaux bar as a card dealer. He also worked at a Wibaux grocery store. He married Teresa Goroski in 1950 at St. Phillip's Catholic Church. To this union was born nine children. They were divorced in 1984. Richard was employed at the Federated Clothing Store in Glendive for eight years, then became an oilfield employee. He also worked as a seismographer. Richard and Teresa moved with their family to Plentywood in 1964. He was employed with the City of Plentywood, then went to work for the Sheridan County Road Department. After retiring in 1990, he moved briefly to Kalispell, then returned to eastern Montana. In 1993, he moved to Glendive. That year he also married Caroline Damm, a native of Culbertson. She died in 1997 of emphysema. An avid sports fan and one-time

Glendive Babe Ruth Baseball coach, he also was a Golden Gloves boxer as a youth. He also played football for the Wibaux Longhorns during the early 1940s. Richard was very proud of his long service with the Knights of Columbus. He was also an ardent Democrat and a long-time collector of Western clothing (from buckles to boots to pearl-snap shirts). He maintained sobriety during the final 30 years of his life. Survivors include his nine children: Joe and Mike and Pat of Plentywood, Larry (Danette) of Polson, Geralyn (Alan) Jones of Carlin, Nevada, Lou (Jeanne) of Herndon, VA, Marilyn Ming of Westby, Carolyn (Kevin) Guenther of Billings and Lynette (Jeff) Ekness of Westby. He is also survived by 12 grandchildren. Also surviving are his sister Margaret Schmitz of Glendive, his brother Eugene of Wibaux and his sister Elizabeth (Gordon) Klofstad of Mesa, AZ. He was preceded in death by his father in 1953 and his mother in 2001. His brother John died in infancy in the mid 1930s. His son-in-law Harry Ming died in 2006.

Tribute Wall



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