



## Walter H. Winchell

March 24, 1916 - June 14, 2003

Walter H. Winchell, age 87, of Billings, formerly of Glendive, went to be with our Almighty Father with his family at his side on Thursday, June 5, 2003 at his daughter's home in Billings, Montana where he resided for the past 1 ½ years. A Vigil service will be held at 7:00 P.M., Friday, June 13, 2003 at the Chapel of the Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home in Glendive. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:00 A.M., Saturday, June 14, 2003 at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Glendive with Father Benjamin Lobo officiating. Rite of Committal with military honors will be in the Dawson County Cemetery in Glendive. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive is entrusted with arrangements. Walter was born on March 24, 1916 in Glendive, Montana, the son of Ralph and Tillie (Wetsch) Winchell. He had five brothers and six sisters. Walt grew up on the family ranch outside of Glendive. He spent his younger years riding the rodeo circuit, ranching, farming and helped build the Fort Peck Dam. He enlisted in the U.S. Army in January of 1941 and served in the European Theatre of World War II where he received a Purple Heart. Following his discharge in November of 1943, Walt returned to Glendive where he met the love of his life, Phyllis Heaney. They were united in marriage on July 10, 1944. Walt was half owner of V & W Pontiac Garage in Glendive. Following his ownership at the garage, Walt and Phyllis bought a ranch outside of Glendive. Walt was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Phyllis in January of 1998; three brothers and four sisters. Walt was a member of the Glendive Elks Lodge #1324, Glendive Moose Lodge #949 and Veterans

of Foreign Wars. Survivors include his daughter, Debbie Loehr and her husband Jay of Billings; his son, Bill Winchell and his wife Carol of Billings; three grandsons, Mike Winchell and his wife Rosalind, Scott Winchell and his wife Dana and Jason Loehr, all of Billings; one great granddaughter, Mikayla Winchell of Billings; two brothers, Ralph Winchell and his wife Blanche of Billings and John Winchell and his wife Hollie of Great Falls, Montana; two sisters, Cecilia Romania and her husband Joe of Eugene, Oregon and Francis Huettl and her husband Jim of Minneapolis, Minnesota; numerous nieces and nephews. Memorials are suggested to Big Sky Hospice, P.O. Box 35033, Billings, MT 59107.

# Tribute Wall



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