



William "Bill" Goetz

July 10, 1926 - August 3, 2006

At midnight, Monday, July 31, 2006 while he slept peacefully, a glorious band of angels came to escort our husband and dad, William "Bill" Goetz, age 80, of Glendive, back to his heavenly home, following a brave battle with cancer. Bill was born on July 10, 1926 in Plevna, Montana, the son of Simon and Barbara (Becker) Goetz. He grew up in the Marsh area and attended school through the 8th grade and then began full-time work to help support his parents family. He was proud to serve in the U.S. Army, joining in 1944 and being honorably discharged in 1946. Bill married the true love of his life, Shirley Deckert, on his bride's birthday, November 19, 1952. Theirs was a beautiful match made in Heaven, that was obvious to all who knew them. To their union, God blessed five children, Virginia (Ginny), Stephen (Steve), Mark, Shelley, and Tamara (Tammy). Bill worked for the Burlington Northern Railroad for 39 years, retiring in 1988. He was a member of Our Savior Lutheran Church in Glendive. He was a member of the VFW and the Legion and he loved being a part of the Honor Guard. Bill is survived by his loving wife, Shirley of Glendive; his daughter, Ginny Wright of Reno, Nevada; son, Steve Goetz and his wife Charlotte of Houston, Texas; daughter, Shelley Geiger and her husband Pat of Glendive; daughter, Tammy Johnston and her husband Kyle of Billings, Montana; 12 grandchildren; brothers, John Goetz of Lacey, Washington, Ervin Goetz and his wife Christine of Billings, and Richard Goetz and his wife Lorna of Klamath Falls, Oregon; sisters, Alvina "Lorraine" Harris of Albion, Michigan and Victoria Goetz of Logan, Utah. Bill was a strong

man who loved the simple things of life. He loved the Lord with all his might and we take great comfort in knowing that he is reunited with his son, Mark in Heaven. He was also preceded in death by his parents and his sister, Helen Rylah. Memorials may be made to Our Savior Lutheran Church and the Senior Citizens Center, both in Glendive. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 P.M., Thursday, August 3, 2006 at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Glendive with Pastor James Hageman officiating. Interment with military honors will be in the Dawson Memorial Cemetery in Glendive. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive is entrusted with arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ *William "Bill" Goetz*

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