

LOVING MEMORIES

Your gentle face and patient smile
With sadness we recall
You had a kindly word for each
And died beloved by all.

The voice is mute and stilled the heart,
That loved us well and true,
Ah, bitter was the trial to part
From one so good as you.

You are not forgotten loved one
Nor will you ever be,
As long as life and memory last
We will remember thee.

We miss you now, our hearts are sore,
As time goes by we miss you more,
Your loving smile, your gentle face,
No one can fill your vacant place.

*God Be with You
'til We Meet Again*



Russel L. Wahlen

February 4, 1923



October 21, 2010



Faulkton, South Dakota
www.familyfuneralhome.net

Russel Wahlen, 87, of Faulkton, went home to be with the Lord, Thursday, October 21, 2010 at the Faulkton Area Medical Center.

Russel was born in Millard, SD to Walfred and Ella (Olen) Wahlen on February 4, 1923. He was a farm laborer before he entered the service on January 21, 1943. Russel volunteered for the draft and throughout the years he displayed proud patriotism toward his country. After leaving the service he helped his parents on the farm and also worked in a Boeing Airplane Plant for a short time.

Russel married Rosalie Anderson on January 31, 1947 and had 5 children. They celebrated their 63rd Wedding Anniversary this year. Russel worked for the County Highway Department in Faulkton until he retired in 1985. He loved his family dearly and enjoyed spending time visiting friends and sharing his warm smile and generous spirit.

He is survived by his wife Rosalie of Faulkton; 3 sons: Dennis (Carol) of Sharpsburg, GA, Dean (Sheila) of Sun City, AZ, Boyce (Diane) of Aberdeen, SD; 1 daughter, Glenda of Phoenix, AZ; 3 grandchildren; 7 great grandchildren; 3 siblings: Kay Stickler of Columbia Heights, MN, Enid Bosch of Lodi, CA and Willard Wahlen of Pioneer, CA.

Preceding him in death are his parents, Walfred and Ella, 1 son, Darrell and 2 siblings, Virgil and Lila.

CLERGY

Pastor Paul Smith

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Marv Hutchinson – Bob Hadrick – Shane Machtemes
Roger Bent – John Riley – Lloyd Olesen – Bert Lerew

USHERS

Bob Hadrick – Marv Hutchinson

PIANIST

Diane Hansen

SOLOIST

Dick Raethz

INURNMENT

Faulkton Cemetery – Faulkton, South Dakota
with Military Honors

Russel L. Wahlen

MEMORIAL SERVICE

10:00 a.m., Monday, October 25, 2010

United Church of Faulkton
Faulkton, South Dakota

ORDER OF SERVICE

*Gathering & Family Processional

Greeting & Opening Prayer Pastor Paul Smith

Song: "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"
Dick Raethz

Reading of Russel's Obituary Pastor Paul Smith

Scripture: Isaiah 40: 26-31 Pastor Paul Smith

Message: "Real Strength Is In Gentleness"
Pastor Paul Smith

Song: "What A Day That Will Be"
Dick Raethz

Prayer of Commendation Pastor Paul Smith
(followed by the Lord's Prayer)

Song: "Amazing Grace"
Dick Raethz

*Benediction Pastor Paul Smith

*Recessional Diane Hansen

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