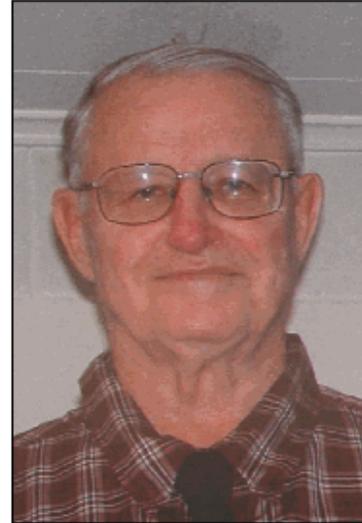


March 15, 2005

Obit: Walter Baumgartner

- Funeral Services for Walter Baumgartner, 75, of Aberdeen and formerly of Ferney will be 11 a.m., Tuesday, March 15th at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Ferney. Rev. Matthew Nix will officiate. Burial will follow in St. Paul's Cemetery under the direction of Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel, Groton.
- Walter died Thursday, March 10, 2005 at Sioux Valley Hospital, Sioux Falls.
- Walter was born on January 6, 1930 to Werner & Marie (Grieben) Baumgartner. He grew up in the Ferney area and attended the South Dakota School for the Deaf in Sioux Falls. Following his graduation in 1950, he returned home to farm in the Ferney area. On June 28, 1959, he married Eva Herman in Walhalla, ND.



To this union, four children were born. Eva died July 1, 1978. Walter retired in 1987 and moved to Aberdeen where he resided until his death.

- Walter was active in amateur baseball and basketball and had played dartball with St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Ferney. He enjoyed collecting stamps, fishing, playing cards, and spending time with his sons and their families. Walter was an avid sports fan, and especially liked to watch the Minnesota Vikings, Twins and NSU Basketball teams.
- Grateful for having shared in his life are his four sons; Danny Baumgartner of Sioux Falls, Wayne (Stephanie) Baumgartner of Orlando, Florida, Robert Baumgartner of Aberdeen and Paul (Kim) Baumgartner of Aberdeen, seven grandchildren; Nathan Aho, Tawni Aho, Courtney Baumgartner, Brandon Baumgartner, Tyler Baumgartner, Megan Baumgartner and Katie Baumgartner, one sister; Irma (Alton) Holmen of Silver Bay, Minn.
- Preceding him in death were his wife and parents.
- Casketbearers will be Keith Shisnia, Joe Gisi, Mike Hochstetter, Paul Hildebrandt, Jody Ackerman and Kevin Pietz.
- Honorary Casketbearers will be Gary Brooks, Mike Brooks, David Brooks, Jay Holmen, Bruce Holmen and Duane Rhode.