

February 8, 2007

Earl Lowary

- Services for Earl Lowary, 89, of Groton, will be 11:00 am, Friday, February 9 the United Methodist Church, Groton. The Rev. Jan Price will officiate. Private graveside services will take place at Groton Union Cemetery under the direction of Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel, Groton.
- Visitation will be held at the funeral chapel from 4-8 p.m. on Thursday with a prayer service at 7 p.m.
- Earl died Tuesday, February 06, 2007 at Golden Living Center, Groton.
- Earl Wesley Lowary was born in Groton on March 14, 1917 to Pearl (McCune) and Charles Lowary of Huffton, SD. Earl spent his childhood and attended school at Huffton. He joined his father in the farming operation at the age of 15. Earl attended South Dakota State University, Brookings for



two terms under the Young Farmers Act. He married Jean Hutton on March 5, 1946 at the Bethlehem Lutheran Parsonage in Aberdeen. They established a home east of Huffton for one year. On March 17, 1946, they moved to a home they had built west of Huffton, where they established a new farm and lived for the next 52 years. In April of 2006, Earl and Jean moved to Aberdeen. The following June, Earl became a resident of Golden Living Center, Groton.

- Earl was a member of the Groton United Methodist Church and was honored to be one of the first men to be presented with a mission pin for service to the church. In 1966, he and his family were honored at the Methodist Annual Conference as the Methodist family of the year. Earl was also a member of the Groton Kiwanis Club. He enjoyed bowling, fishing, and coffee with his neighbors. He loved farming and visiting his family. He and his wife made many trips to visit them.
- He is survived by his wife, Jean of Aberdeen; three sons; Earl Charles (Bette) Lowary of Austin, Texas, Lee Edward Lowary of Santa Fe, New Mexico, John Wesley (Anita) Lowary of Groton, and a daughter, Betty Jean (Douglas) Norgaard of Brandon, SD, and six grandchildren; Tate Lowary, Jennifer Lowary, Patrick (Megan) Lowary, Jody (Erin) Norgaard, Teresa Norgaard, and Matthew Norgaard. Earl is also survived by four great-grandchildren.
- Preceding him in death were his parents, a brother, Arnold Lowary and an infant sister and brother.
- Honorary Casketbearers will be Debbie Von Coldize, Megan Lowary, Allison Kramer, Erin Norgaard, Chris Wrich, Brett Flihs, Tigh Flihs, Kelcey Norgaard, Kylee Norgaard, Kienna Norgaard and Alyssa Nesiba.
- Casketbearers will be his grandchildren; Tate Lowary, Jennifer Lowary, Patrick Lowary, Jody Norgaard, Teresa Norgaard and Matt Norgaard.

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