

November 23, 2004

Obit: Everett Milton Suurmeyer

- Funeral service for Everett Milton Suurmeyer, 89, of Aberdeen were held Friday, November 19, 2004 at Schriver's Memorial Mortuary & Crematory, Aberdeen. Pastor Don Peck officiated. Burial followed at Sunset Memorial Gardens, Aberdeen.
- Everett died Monday, November 15, 2004 at Avera st. Luke's Hospital.
- Everett Milton Suurmeyer was born April 14, 1915 to Henry and Olga (Ingberg) Suurmeyer at Lily, SD. At the age of eight, he moved with his family to the Claremont area where he was raised and attended country schools near Lily and Claremont. At the age of fourteen, Everett's father passed away. Everett was forced to quit school to help support his mother and raise his two sisters. Everett farmed on the family farm for a short time and then they moved to Aberdeen. Everett continued farming and worked for Fred Kamm's farm near Leola. Everett married Crystal D. Kamm November 5, 1939 at Leola. They continued farming for various farmers and he farmed on his own until the fall of 1957. They moved to Frederick at that time. Everett worked on a road construction crew for two years and then went to work for Hub City Iron in Aberdeen where he was employed for eighteen years. He later worked as the custodian for the Frederick School for eleven years retiring in 1986. They moved to Aberdeen in 1999 and have since resided. Everett was an active member of the Methodist Church in Frederick. He was a retired member of the IAM Machinists Union Lodge #862.
- He enjoyed hunting, fishing, making things in his shop, playing cards, the harmonica, dice games and especially enjoyed being with his family.
- Surviving Everett are his wife Crystal of sixty-six years, one son Fred (Bonnie) Suurmeyer of Sisseton, SD, four daughters, Lila Suurmeyer of Copperopolis, CA, Janice (Wayne) Sandberg of Angels Camp, CA, Cheryl (James) Gelling of Frederick and Patricia (John) Schaunaman of Des Plaines, IL, one sister Olga Wojtanowicz of St. Cloud, MN, nine grandchildren, thirteen great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.
- Everett was preceded in death by his parents, three sisters and one brother. Pallbearers will be Bob Hehn, Warren Pearson, Ron Karr, Dick Turnwall, Tony Kamm and Barney Bain. Honorary pallbearers will be all of Everett's grandchildren. Organist will be Bertha Turnquist and soloist will be Jack Smith.