

June 16, 2005

Obit: Mathieu Rock

- Mathieu E. Rock, 82, of Groton passed away Tuesday, June 14, 2005 at Avera St. Lukes Hospital. His memorial service will be 2:00pm, Friday, June 17th at the United Methodist Church, Groton. Rev. Grant Piehl and Rev. Harold Salem will officiate. Burial will follow in Groton Union Cemetery under the direction of Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel, Groton. Groton Legion Post #39 will provide Military Rites.
- Visitation will be held at the church from 4-8pm on Thursday with a prayer service at 8:00pm.
- Mathieu E. Rock was born on February 8, 1923 to William and Mabel (Mathieu) Rock in Groton, SD. He graduated from Groton High School in 1940. He then attended Northern State College for several



years before enlisting with the US Army in 1942. Matt served with the 1255th H & S Company until his discharge in 1946. He returned to the family business in Groton, Groton Auto & Tractor, and worked as a cattle buyer for Aberdeen and Mobridge Livestock. Matt was united in marriage to Margaret Abeln in 1946. In 1965, he was married to Marisue Caskey in Pierre.

- Matt was a member of the United Methodist Church in Groton. He was also a 60 year member of the American Legion. Matt enjoyed spending time at the cabin on Enemy Swim Lake, along with fishing, hunting and spending time with family and friends.
- Survivors include his wife, Marisue of Groton, three daughters; Judith Ann Lillie of Incline Village, NV, Karla Jo (Stanley) Hohneke of Burnsville, MN, Tracey Ann Rock of Albuquerque, NM, three step-daughters; Shari Lynn (Fred) Haux of Helena, MT, Jill Marie Stewart of Aberdeen, Jeninel (Dennis) Jacobs of North Loup, NE, thirteen grandchildren, eighteen great-grandchildren, and one brother, John Rock of Hot Springs.
- Preceding him in death were his parents, one sister, Vera Jean Dean, one brother, William H. Rock, II and one grandson, Michael Thurman.
- Honorary Casketbearers will be Matt's grandchildren.
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