

October 15, 2005

## Obit: Raymond Wormke

- Funeral services for Raymond Wormke, 85, of Pierpont will be 10 a.m., Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Pierpont. Paul Kosel, Synodically Authorized Minister, will officiate. Burial will follow in Homer Cemetery under the direction of Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel, Groton. Military rites will be provided by the Charles N. Young Post #99.
- Visitation will be held at the church for one hour prior to services on Saturday.
- Raymond died October 12, 2005 at Avera St. Lukes Hospital, Aberdeen.
- Raymond William Wormke was born on June 21, 1920 to Herman & Mary (Meyn) Wormke on the family



farm in Farmington Township. He attended country school and later enlisted in the US Army. Raymond served in the Korean War and following his discharge, he returned to Pierpont to farm. During this time, Raymond also worked as a carpenter. On November 7, 1970 he married Evelyn Wagner Tople in Andover. Together they made their home on the farm for many years before moving into town.

- Raymond was a member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Pierpont where he served on the church council. He also belonged to the American Legion Post #99 in Pierpont. He enjoyed playing cards, reading & puzzles. Over the years, Raymond had built many pieces of furniture for his friends and family. In earlier years, he enjoyed playing baseball and softball and was an avid New York Yankees fan.
- Grateful for having shared his life is his wife, Evelyn of Pierpont, his children; David Tople of Pierpont, Larry (Cathy) Tople of Belle Fourche, Danny Tople of Sioux Falls, Barbara (Tom) Kenyon of Mina, Cindy Tople of Aberdeen, one sister-in-law, Francis Wormke of Gillette, Wyoming, his nephew Ronnie (Donna) Wormke of Firestone, Colorado, six grandchildren; Ron Wormke, Bob Kenyon, Dawn Friedrichsen, Lance Tople, Greg Tople and Ben Tople; twelve great-grandchildren, his great-niece, Lisa Wormke and great-nephew, Shawn Wormke.
- Preceding him in death were his parents, three brothers; Fred, Ernest and Elmer, one sister, Laverna and grandson, Rich Kenyon.
- Casketbearers will be Ron Wormke, Shawn Wormke, Ron Kenyon, Bob Kenyon, Lance Tople, Greg Tople, Ben Tople and Terry Friedrichsen.