



Harold "Red" Thorsen

June 2, 1929 - December 2, 2010

Harold "Red" Thorsen, 81, Valley City, ND, passed away peacefully on December 2, 2010 at the Sheyenne Care Center lovingly surrounded by his four daughters.

Red was born June 2, 1929, in Sidney, MT. He graduated from high school in Wolf Point, MT where he lettered in basketball, football, and track. Later in life he became an official Montana referee for football and basketball. His hobbies included bowling and hunting.

Red attended Concordia College in Moorhead, MN for two years and then married his high school sweetheart, Chrys-Meree Lund on March 11, 1949. They lived in Missoula, MT where he worked construction. They returned to Wolf Point where he accepted a sales position with Montana Dakota Utilities Co. He left MDU for six years to work as a State Farm Insurance Agent in Glasgow, MT. In 1970, he returned to MDU as a salesman in Jamestown, ND and in 1986 they moved to Bismarck, ND where he retired from MDU in 1989. He was a member of the Traveling Salesman Club in Jamestown, since 1975, a life member of Elks, Eagles, Lions, and Optimist clubs.

Red is survived by daughters, NancyAnn (Warren) Johnson, Nome, ND, Sue (Craig) Stevens, Virginia, MN, Linda (Steve) Whaley and Judi (Steve) Selinger of Chanhassen, MN; seven grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Chrys-Meree(Lund) and his parents, Ellis and Almira Thorsen.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 10. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel
251 Central Ave. S.
Valley City, ND

Service

DEC 11. 1:00 PM (CT)

St. Petri Lutheran Church
12505 52nd St. SE
Nome, ND

Tribute Wall



“ *Midwest winter didn't play nice, hope that all that did make the service got back safely. We hope to make MT this summer. So glad for all the memories with the Thorsens, we were blessed to be together so often. See you all again soon. Love BA, Pam, Bryce, Maddy###imported-begin##Bruce A. Lund, Jr.###imported-end##*

December 13, 2010 at 07:24 PM



“ *to Red's Girls...Thank-you for sharing your dad with me. While I did not know him at his best...the stories you shared and the love you surrounded him with said much. Blessings, Gail Pederson, RN###imported-begin##Gail Pederson###imported-end##*

December 11, 2010 at 11:11 PM



“ *I enjoyed the pictures posted, they are very comforting. Thinking about all of you today. Love Kathy, Don and Matt###imported-begin##Kathy May###imported-end##*

December 11, 2010 at 06:51 AM



“ *Linda, please accept my sympathies at this time of loss. I remember your Dad well from when we both worked at MDU in Bismarck. After knowing you all these years it was a surprise to learn that I also knew your Father. I know that the memories you have of him will be a great comfort to you now and in the future.###imported-begin##Don Herrly###imported-end##*

December 11, 2010 at 05:12 AM



“ Please accept my sincere sympathy in the loss of your father. Your wonderful memories and your faith in God will help you through the sad times ahead.##imported-begin##Marlyn Swanson##imported-end##

December 08, 2010 at 11:07 PM



“ Sorry to hear about the loss of your dad. He was the funniest,nicest man that I knew. Red always made me laugh as a kid. I was, (the little blondie next door) I hope you all find comfort knowing that he is now, Safely Home. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you and your famlies..##imported-begin##Tammy Chapin (Koenig)##imported-end##

December 07, 2010 at 06:28 PM



“ Very sorry to hear about your dad, Red and I worked together in the MDU print shop. What I remembered most was that he loved to laugh. He will be missed. Ken##imported-begin##Ken Glaser##imported-end##

December 07, 2010 at 10:51 AM



“ Linda and family,
I'm so sorry to read of the loss of your dad. Please know that you and your family are in my thoughts.
Jessie Fuher
JHS class of '78##imported-begin##Jessie Fuher##imported-end##

December 07, 2010 at 10:38 AM



“ So sorry to hear that your father "Red" Thorsen has passed away. Just a couple of weeks ago I reread one of the family letters that you gals had sent to us. Brought back many good memories of the Thorsens as neighbors of ours in Jamestown. Our thoughts and prayers are for your families. We are unable to attend as we just arrived in AZ at our winter home. May your many good memories of your parents sustain you during this time.##imported-begin##Floyd & Bernice Schauer##imported-end##

December 05, 2010 at 07:37 PM



“ You will be missed Grandpa Red; but we are so thankful that you and Grandma Blue are together again. It is comforting to know you are at peace and have no further pain. We love you!##imported-begin##Steph Olson##imported-end##

December 02, 2010 at 05:49 PM