



Henry Tuenge

January 24, 1926 - August 13, 2012

Henry Fredrick William Tuenge was born on January 24, 1926, the son of Benjamin and Ella (Hass) Tuenge in Valley City. He was raised on a farm and attended country school near Rogers, ND. His family moved to Valley City and then moved to a farm near Pillsbury, ND, where he worked with his parents raising cattle and farming. Hank enlisted in the US Navy in 1941, and completed his naval training at Farragut Naval Training Station in Farragut, Idaho. He was stationed in San Diego before being deployed on the destroyer USS Hawkins during World War II. Hank was Honorably Discharged as Seaman First Class in 1946. After his discharged, Hank was employed by the Corp of Engineers and helped in the building of Bald Hill Dam near Valley City.

On August 1, 1948, Henry was united in marriage to Martha Friestad in Valley City, ND. They moved to Page in 1958, where he worked at Busy Bee Garage as a mechanic and later for Mars Equipment Company as an implement mechanic and also for Anderson Equipment and Suhr Motors. Hank was proud of working on International Harvester equipment. He always said "If it ain't red, leave it in the shed". Hank also worked part time for Herb Smith on his farm. After he retired, Hank would still go over to the shop and stoke the coal, make coffee, and pump gas. Martha passed away on January 2, 2007.

He loved spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren. Hank enjoyed fishing, taking pictures, bowling, hunting, playing cards, golfing, his

radio controlled planes and trains, and his cars. He was a member of United Methodist Church and American Legion Post # 154 in Page.

Hank will be remembered and deeply missed by his three daughters, Linda (Jerome) Drogen, Page, Dee (Rob) Nelson, Valley City, and Dianne (Russ Sherman) Hertel, Carrington, ND; eleven grandchildren, Ben (Roxie) Drogen, Buffalo, ND, Trisha (Brian) Steiner, Mapleton, ND, Todd (Jamie) Munson, Eagan, MN, Lacie (Matt Baumgarter) Drogen, Maple Valley, MN, Laurie (Ben) Nelson, Cooperstown, ND, Monica (Matt) Mason, Fessenden, ND, Darrick Munson, Apple Valley, MN, Megan Kankelfritz, West Minister, CO, Mikayela Munson, Mankato, MN, Courtney Nelson and Kristin Nelson, both of Valley City; eleven great-grandchildren, Wyatt, Connor, and Steven Drogen, Emilea and Isaac Steiner, Hawken, Corbin, and Purdee Nelson, Jayden, Gavin and Owen Mason; one brother, Clarence (Selma) Tuenge, Monticello, MN; two sisters, Margary Abraham, Valley City and Delores Burchill, Bismarck, ND; one sister-in-law, Sonja Johansen, Valley City; many nieces and nephews; and friends.

He is in heaven with his parents and his wife Martha.

Previous Events

Service

AUG 17. 10:30 AM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall



“ Our deepest sympathy to the Tuenge family. I knew Martha very well as she grew up with my dad Jake Byberg. Linda and Jerome, and Dee you are in our thoughts and prayers, as well as Delores and Burchill and family.

Sincerely,

Carey and Beth Byberg Dreher and family##imported-begin##Beth Byberg Dreher##imported-end##

August 27, 2012 at 02:11 PM



“ My condolences on the passing of "Papa" (as Trish's grandkids called Henry (Hank)).
A very kind man. A great smile and laugh.
Keep his spirit with you...may thoughts of his kindness and laughter give you peace.##imported-begin##Jes Khatri##imported-end##

August 21, 2012 at 11:52 AM



“ My prayers are with you and the family.##imported-begin##carol J artis##imported-end##

August 17, 2012 at 05:33 PM



“ Dear tuenge Family, I was so sorry to hear of your loss. I got to know him when he came to visit martha at the care center. I always enjoyed a short visit with him. Sympathy to all the family Sincerely Diane (Byber) Fritchie##imported-begin##diane fritchie##imported-end##

August 15, 2012 at 11:05 PM



“ Our deepest sympathy to all of Hank's family. Hank and I shared the same birthday of January 24th and he always tried to be the first one to wish me a Happy Birthday. When he moved to Valley City I really missed that. I remember Lee bowling with him also. He will be missed...Lee and Diane##imported-begin##Diane Wade##imported-end##

August 15, 2012 at 09:53 PM



“ R.I.P. Uncle Hank....##imported-begin##dawn stockert##imported-end##

August 15, 2012 at 09:06 PM



“ I remember Henry from the early 1940's when I was going to the Alderman school. My late sister Shirley Grotberg Licha and I would go over to Emil's across the road after school. He would be there quite often helping out with farm work. He was a very nice, soft spoken guy, as I recall. The Hass family was very close to our Grotberg family. My condolences go out to his family. May God bless you all.
Mary Heath##imported-begin##Mary Heath##imported-end##

August 15, 2012 at 02:38 PM



“ Peace Uncle Henry##imported-begin##Jo Ann Abraham Blomquist##imported-end##

August 14, 2012 at 11:17 PM