



John Schwabauer

June 20, 1905 - September 30, 2009

MITCHELL, NE...Funeral services for JOHN SCHWABAUER 104, will be held Monday on October 5, 2009 at the Assembly of God Church in Mitchell, Nebraska at 10 30am with Pastor Troy Allen officiating. Internment will follow at Forrest Lawn Cemetery in Morrill, Nebraska. Memorials can be made to Heritage Estates. John passed away on September 30, 2009 at Heritage Estates in Gering, Nebraska. Viewing hours are from 3-6pm at the Colyer Funeral Home Chapel at Torrington on Sunday and the casket will be open at the church. Arrangements are under the direction of the Colyer Funeral Home and friends are invited to send condolences to the family at www.colyerfuneralhome.com. He was born June 20, 1905 in Olathe, Colorado to George and Elizabeth (Volker) Schwabauer. He was the third of ten children. John's family moved frequently during his childhood. Besides Colorado, he lived in Wyoming, Idaho, Oregon, Montana, and Michigan. John was a mechanic and worked at Fisher Body in Flint making cars. On February 24, 1929, John Married Mollie Asmus in Flint, Michigan. During the depression they moved to Nebraska and then back to Michigan. He worked as a mechanic for Fisher Body and Yellow Cab Co. After the birth of his fourth daughter, he moved his family back to Nebraska once again. They lived in Melbeta and later moved to Minatare, al along working as a mechanic. He worked for Neilson-Schreiner Chevrolet, Minatare Ford and Kramer Motors. John was widowed in 1954 when Mollie died of cancer. He then married Elsie Adams on December 17, 1960 in Mitchell, Nebraska and became a step-father to Elsie's seven

children. Utilizing his mechanical skills, he helped them with their farming operation located north of Morrill. He traveled on wheat harvest with them for many seasons. John and Elsie enjoyed gardening, making ceramics, and traveling. He loved making and fixing things. Fishing was a special passion in his life. Elsie died in August of 1997. John resided at Heritage Health Care Center since then and enjoyed Bingo and socializing with the other residents. Survivors include his sister Helen (Richard) Heinz of Jacksonville, OR, brother Dan of Yakama, WA, sister-in-laws Kate (Carl) Schneider of Bridgeport and Martha Peterson of Lewistown, MT, daughters Dorothy Hoffman of Scotts Bluff, NE, Ruth (Bert) Hanson of Riverside, CA, Delores (Marvin) Fries of Greeley, CO, step children Henry(Carol) Adams of Morrill, NE, Maxine (Larry) Pomeroy of Apache Junction, AZ, Jerry (Virginia) Adams of Ankeny, IA, Floyd (Cathy) Adams of Morrill, NE, Robert (Patricia) Adams of Torrington, WY, thirty grandchildren, 48 great grandchildren, and twenty great-great grandchildren. John was preceded in death by his parents; three sisters; four brothers; wives, Mollie and Elsie; infant son, James; daughter, Shirley Esrey; stepdaughters, Ruth Anderson and Marjorie Beardsley; grandsons, John Hanson and Brent Adams; son-in-law, Marvin Hoffman;and a great granddaughter.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Dad
We'll always remember
that special smile,
that caring heart,
that warm embrace,
you always gave us.
You being there
for Mom and us
through good and bad times,
no matter what.
We'll always remember
you Dad because
they'll never be another one
to replace you in our hearts,
and the love we will always
have for you.
Anon*

*I wished I would have known him more.
I have just heard from Floyd many memories. Cathy*

Floyd and Cathy Adams - September 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM