



Walter C. Smith

October 23, 1922 - June 27, 2010

Walter C. Smith, 87, a resident of Eldorado, died Sunday, June 27, 2010, at St. Agnes Hospice Home of Hope, Fond du Lac. He was born on October 23, 1922, in the Town of Lamartine, a son of George J. and Rosa L. Miller Smith. Walter served with the United States Army, 382nd Anti Air Craft Battery D, from January 1943 through January 1946, as a corporal, serving in New Guinea, Philippines, and Japan, earning several awards. He was an active member of the Rosendale VFW where he served as Quarter Master for several years. On December 13, 1958, he married Beverly Gabriliska at Eldorado Congregational Church. They were the last couple to be married in Eldorado. The church was later moved to the Galloway House and Village. He was a self-employed carpenter and farm hand for several years. In August of 1965, he became employed at Kiekhaefer Marine of Fond du Lac. He retired in April of 1988 after 23 years of service. In his younger years, bowling was one of his favorite pastimes, especially at West Side Lanes in Fond du Lac and Brenner's Bowl in Eldorado. He was the first to bowl a 700 series at West Side Lanes. He also served as president of the Fond du Lac Bowling Association in 1973. He was in 4-H for 10 years and helped his wife with the Busy Bees 4-H Club. Other hobbies he enjoyed were bingo, going to rummage sales, planting trees and flowers, watching the Brewers and Packers, going to ballparks during the summer, putting puzzles together, and playing sheephead and poker. Walter was a member of St. Stephen's Lutheran Church, Rogersville. He is survived by a son, George (Peggy) Smith of Fond du Lac; a daughter, Becky Hable of Rhinelander; two granddaughters: Melissa (Keith) Kraemer, and Dana Pollom; a great-grandson: Dominick Kraemer; a sister, Alvina (Arthur) Stahmann of Van Dyne; many nieces and nephews; and his beloved granddog, Tippy. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Beverly on April 25, 2009; three sisters, and five brothers. The funeral service will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, July 2, 2010, at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church, N5680 Towne Road, Rogersville, with Rev. Kimberly Stowell officiating, followed by military rites. Cremation will take place with inurnment in the Shrine of Rest Mausoleum at Ledgeview Memorial Park at a later date. The visitation will be from 4:00 – 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 1, 2010, at Mach Funeral Chapel & Crematory, 31 East Division Street, Fond du Lac, and on Friday at church from 9:30 a.m. until the time of service. Memorials may be directed to St. Stephen's Lutheran Church, Rosendale VFW

Post 10195, or St. Agnes Hospice Home of Hope.

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Sympathy to you and your family on the passing of your Dad.

Linda Shady - June 30, 2010 at 10:11 PM

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