Warren Clifford Van Vactor



Warren was born in Slope County, ND, on September 17, 1922, to Ellis and Miriam (Nichols) Van Vactor.

Warren married Grace Barber in November 1948, in Newell, SD. To this union his 4 children were born. He married Joan Calvert in November 1982, in Sturgis, SD.

He served in the U.S. Navy during WWII from 1942-1946 aboard the USS Gleaves, the USS Moore and the USS Cascade. He was honorably discharged on January 7, 1946.

Warren worked for Gate City Sunshine Dairies, Orville's Garbage Service, and Spearfish Canyon Golf Course as greens keeper. His hobbies included golfing, rock hunting, lapidaries, wood craft, and flea marketing. Early in his retirement he spent his winters in Arizona selling his handmade crafts and used books at flea markets. In his later retirement he enjoyed playing the slots in Deadwood.

Warren C. Van Vactor, 94, passed away October 15, 2016, at David M. Dorsett Home in Spearfish, SD.

He is survived by his wife Joan, Spearfish; his son, Jerry (Kathy), Rapid City; his daughters, Robin (Dave) Henrikson, Rapid City, and Carol (Lanny) Beach, Oregon City, Oregon; and their mother, Grace Van Vactor, Spearfish; a brother, Lloyd Van Vactor, Redmond, Washington; 5 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; an infant daughter, Karen; and three brothers, Glenn, Orville and Robert.

Memorial has been established to the Veterans Wall in Spearfish Park.

Condolences may be sent to the family a www.kinkadefunerals.com.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever.

Amen

In Loving Memory Of



Warren Clifford Van Vactor

1922 ~ 2016



Day is Done (Taps)

Fading light dims the sight
And a star gems the sky, gleaming bright
From afar drawing nigh,
Falls the night.

Day is done, gone the sun
From the hills, from the lake, from the sky
All is well, safely rest;
God is nigh.

Then goodnight, peaceful night;
Till the light of the dawn shineth bright.
God is near, do not fear,
Friend, goodnight.



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Born

September 17, 1922 Slope County, North Dakota

Died

October 15, 2016 Spearfish, South Dakota

Graveside Memorial Services

Friday, May 19, 2017 at 10:30 a.m. Black Hills National Cemetery Sturgis, South Dakota

*Military Honors*Spearfish Honor Guard

Inurnment
Black Hills National Cemetery
Sturgis, South Dakota