

Bob Alexander

Gentlemen, here is the obituary for Bob Alexander, he came to Baker for the Butte construction in 1954 and retired from Baker in 1988. He worked on the Ozark line before that and a stint in McCamey, but not sure of his total years, I think about 40. Always thought of as one of the best Electrical Techs and an unwavering Christian testimony. Take care, Ed

Funeral Services for Bob Alexander, 91 of Spearfish, SD will be at 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, September 2, 2014, at the Rotunda Chapel at the Black Hills National Cemetery in Sturgis, SD. Bob passed away on Thursday, August 28, 2014 at his home in Spearfish, SD. Robert Stanley Alexander was born October 27, 1922 on a farm just outside of Sleeper, Missouri, the son of Neal and Carrie (Brown) Alexander. Bob was the seventh of eight children. He attended Goodwin country school and graduated from Stoutland High School at the age of 16. When Bob wasn't in school, he worked long, hard hours farming with his dad. In March of 1943, Bob enlisted in the Army and began attending Ripon College in Ripon, WI. He earned the rank of Staff Sergeant during WWII. As part of the 71st Division, he spent 17 months deployed in combat during the European Theater and played a major role in the liberation of concentration camps. After returning from the war, he traveled to California, Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, and Oregon working on the railroad. Bob then went to work for Shell Pipeline, where he worked as an electrical technician for nearly four decades. On May 24, 1953, Bob was united in marriage to Gussie Wilson. His job took them to Oklahoma, Texas and finally Baker, Montana where they raised their four children: Jamie, Joel, Rena and Kyle. After he retired, Spearfish, SD became their home. Bob accepted Jesus Christ as his personal Savior at an early age and served as a deacon, music director, and Bible study teacher most of his adult life. Bob loved life, and his family meant the world to him. He passed down his unmatched work ethic, wonderful sense of humor, love for baseball and homemade ice cream, and his passion for music to his kids and grandkids. His energy, wit, and good health belied his 91 years, and he only suffered from illness the last month of his life. Bob was preceded in death by his parents; an infant brother; a brother, Claun; four sisters, Hazel, Eunice, Hester and Lucille; and his beloved friend and son, Kyle. He is survived by Gussie, his wife of 61 years; three children, Jamie (Dan) Crothers, Joel (Karen) Alexander, and Rena (Jeff) Tauck; 13 grandchildren who knew him as "GrandBob", Wynn (Ashley), Laurel (Cory), Kalan, Evan (Brittany), Zachary, Kyle (Heather), Ryan, Bradley (Sarah), Braxton, Jillian, Dillan (Emma), Adam, and Brenna; four great-grandchildren, Trey, Jack, Quinn, and Wyllow; one sister, Eva Maye Sherrer; numerous nieces and nephews; and many others whose lives he influenced. Memorials may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project ~ 1 South Nevada Avenue, Suite 205 ~ Colorado Springs, Colorado 80903 ~ www.woundedwarriorproject.org .
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