



Darrel "Buck" Amidon

November 15, 1926 - May 19, 2011

Darrel W. "Buck" Amidon, a longtime resident of Rapid City, died unexpectedly on Thursday, May 19, 2011. He was born 84 years ago, in Muskegon Heights, on November 15, 1926, the 4th child of William H. and Beatrice (Gabel) Amidon. Darrel lived in Kalkaska County most of his life. He served his country honorably as a member of the United States Army during WWII across the Pacific. Buck retired in 1982 from the Traverse City State Hospital after 33 years of service as an L.P.A.N. He farmed, developed and took care of a small orchard, did masonry work, ran his own greenhouse, and was also a Kalkaska County Commissioner for several years. In his "spare" time Darrel enjoyed spending time with his family and fishing. He was a man who liked to stay busy. Darrel was preceded in death by his parents; his sisters, Beatrice, Marie, and Marian; his youngest son, Charles; and in 2009, his beloved wife of 60 years, Esther (Chapman). He is survived by his loving children, Karen Amidon of Traverse City, Kathy (Paul) Mallory of Grand Marais, James Amidon of Rapid City, Arthur (Sue) Amidon of Rapid City, and Mark Amidon of Nogales, AZ; his sisters-in-law, Mary (John) Larson of Sun City, AZ and Ruth (Don) Johnson of Mancelona; 9 cherished grandchildren; 15 precious great-grandchildren; 2 great-great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews. A visitation will be held on Sunday, May 22nd at Wolfe-O'Neill Funeral Home from 5-8:00 pm. The funeral will be on Monday at 2:00 pm at the funeral home with Pastor Steve Packer of the Peoples Church officiating. Military honors will be provided by the VFW Post 8684 and American Legion Post 410 of

Kalkaska at Clearwater Township Cemetery. Memorials may be directed to the charity of one's choice. Please sign Buck's on-line guestbook at www.wolfeoneill.com. Arrangements were made by Wolfe-O'Neill Funeral Home, our family serving yours.

Tribute Wall



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January 30, 2023 at 04:02 AM



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