

Funeral service for William "Bill" J. Keller, 90, Aberdeen will be 1:30 pm, Monday, January 9, 2012 at Bethlehem Lutheran Church. Pastor Jeff Whillock officiating. Military honors by Sidney L. Smith American Legion Post 24. Burial will be in Riverside Memorial Park at a later date. Bill died Tuesday, January 3 at Avera St. Lukes Hospital, Aberdeen.

Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the church.

William Joseph Keller Jr., son of William and Elizabeth Keller was born on April 7, 1921 in Hague, ND. He moved with his family at a young age to Aberdeen where he was raised and attended school. He enlisted in the United States Navy and served for several years during World War II. Following his honorable discharge, Bill returned to Aberdeen.



At this time Bill began his career in the construction business. He eventually went to work for Kyburz Construction where he was employed for many years as a foreman overseeing many building projects. The highlight of his career was the building of the Spruce Saddle Restaurant and the Beaver Creek Ski Lodge in Beaver Creek, Colorado.

During his retirement Bill enjoyed spending his winters in Texas. He was an avid Green Bay Packers fan and he also enjoyed dancing.

Grateful for having shared his life are his wife Clara Keller of Aberdeen, one daughter, Jennifer (Dale) Kugath; one step son, Gary (Lana) Nelson; one son-in-law, Rick Letherer; one granddaughter, Nikki Letherer, two step grandchildren, Lisa (Ayman) Badr and Matthew Nelson, four step great grandchildren, Kinzi and Adam Badr and Molly and Emily Nelson, one brother, Edward (Mary) Keller; one sister, Monica (Joe) Palmer and his dog and best friend Suzie.

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