

Harold V. Phillips

Harold V. Phillips, age 79, of Moorhead, MN, formerly Hallock, MN, died Tuesday, August 3, 2010, in Golden Living Center, Moorhead, MN.

Harold Vaughn Phillips was born on April 19, 1931, to Robert and Avis (Harper) Phillips in Hallock, MN. He grew up and attended school in Lancaster, MN, graduating from Lancaster High School in 1949. On November 26, 1950 he married Joan Anderson in Hallock, MN. After their marriage, he worked for the Hallock Bakery and later the Kittson County Highway Department where he worked for over 42 years, retiring in 1993. While working for the County Highway Department, he spent most of the year's operating a road grader and then worked as a road foreman for the last few years. Harold would take vacation time to manage the beet pilers during the fall harvest for American Crystal which he did until the age of 75. He also managed and maintained the Hallock Race Track and owned and operated a food booth at the Kittson County Fair.

Harold was a generous man with an open heart, always willing to lend a hand when needed. He enjoyed fishing and deer hunting and most importantly, he enjoyed family gatherings. He and Joan spent the summer months at their lake place on Springsteel Island at Lake of the Woods since the early '70s. For the last 10 years, he and Joan spent the winter months in Pharr, TX.

He is survived by his wife, Joan Phillips of Moorhead, MN; five sons, Keith (Julie) Phillips of Moorhead, MN, David (Ruby) Phillips of Eagan, MN, Robert (Christine) Phillips of Princeton, TX, Kevin Phillips of Badger, MN and Jon Phillips of Thief River Falls, MN; three daughters, Marlene (Juan) Rodriguez of Thief River Falls, MN, Karen (Doug) Henrickson of Strandquist, MN and Kristi (Del Ray) Westman of Thief River Falls, MN; two brothers, Gary (Linda) Phillips of Ecuador and Russell (Mary) Phillips of Lancaster, MN, 29 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one son, Dale Phillips; one brother, Ray Phillips and one great-granddaughter, Kaia Powell.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred to Hospice of the Red River Valley or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Visitation: Thursday, August 5, 2010, from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m., in Wright Funeral Home, Moorhead, MN, with a prayer service at 7:00 p.m.

Funeral: Friday, August 6, 2010, at 11:00 a.m., in Bethesda Lutheran Church, Moorhead, MN.

Online guestbook and video tribute at [www.wrightfuneral.com](http://www.wrightfuneral.com).

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