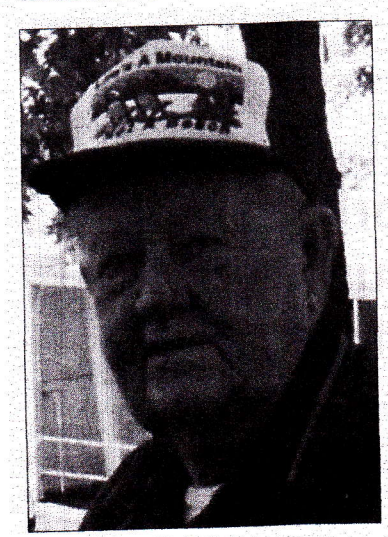
STICKLER, Melvin Joe

February 5, 1928
Murdo SD
April 14, 2006
Rapid City SD

Melvin J. Stickler



Melvin Joe Stickler, 78, of Rapid City, passed away Fri., Apr. 14, 2006 at home surrounded by family.

Melvin was born Feb. 5, 1928 at the Murdo Hospital to Harley and Thelma (Johnson) Stickler. He was raised in the Okaton/Murdo SD area and attended Horseshoe Bend and Grandview Grade Schools. He graduated from Okaton High School in 1947. He served four years in the Navy and was stationed in the Philippines during the Korean War. After his discharge he worked for Carlson Construction, then for Sampson Construction, the Kansas company that built the Midland Co-op Elevator in Midland. He moved to Rapid City in 1959 where he worked for nearly 31 years at the South Dakota State Cement Plant. He retired Feb. 5, 1990.

He was united in marriage to Lucille Caryl on Oct. 23, 1955 at Viborg, SD.

He is survived by his wife, Lucille Stickler of Rapid City; two sons, Chris (Jody) Stickler and David (Darcie) Stickler, both of Rapid City; three daughters, Vicki (Martin) Radcliff of New Concord, OH, Melanie Stickler of Lakewood, CO, Tracy Paige of Rapid City; four grandchildren, Jeff (Crystal) Stickler of Rapid City, Jessica (Kody) Mendel of Rapid City, Kristal (Austin) Hamm of Hermosa, and Jennifer (Jay) Hagelstrom of Moorhead, MN; four step-grandchildren, Joy (Ed) Rohn of Hoffman Estates, IL, Grace, Abigail and Matt Radcliff of Fort Atkinson, WI; five great grandchildren, Thayne, Connor and Bailey Stickler of Rapid City, and Madilynn and Kadence Mendel of Rapid City ; three sisters, Isabelle (Bill) Ellwanger of Pierre, Hazel (Bob) Foley of Long Beach, CA, Bonnie (Lyle) Dennis of Rapid City; three brothers, Bobby (Sadie) Stickler of Rapid City, Kenneth (Sharon) Stickler of Eugene, OR, Virgil (Kathleen) Stickler of Murdo, and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brothers Glen and Darrel, and son-in-law Jackie Paige.

Funeral services were at the First United Methodist Church in Rapid City on Wed., Apr. 19, 2006 with the Rev. Doug Diehl officiating. Interment followed at Black Hills National Cemetery near Sturgis, with military rites by the Sturgis Honor Guard.

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