Marvin "Duane" McNary was born October 17, 1932 to Clarence "Lee" and Beatrice (Berry) McNary at Buford, North Dakota. He was raised and educated in the Buford area, and graduated from Fairview High School. Duane loved all sports but especially baseball. He was an outfielder and pitcher for the local Buford team and at times played with the State Line Team. He was extremely proud to play with his two older brothers, Lloyd and Floyd. When age started to creep up on him; he enjoyed playing slow pitch softball in the area for the local church team. Duane was a big fan of the Minnesota Twins and rarely missed a telecast.

On August 1, 1952 Duane was united in marriage to Darlene Husebye in Williston, North Dakota. Later that year, Duane entered the U.S. Army at Fargo, ND as Uncle Sam had a need for him. He served two years during the Korean War and was raised to the rank of Corporal. He was honorably discharged at Ft. Sill, OK on October 27, 1954. Together Duane and Darlene started Duane's Radiator Shop, a business he owned and operated for many years. Duane was very proficient at working with metals. If something was beyond repair or unavailable, he would simply create it again from scratch, or even invent and create a new version.

Duane was always helping others in need, be it family or friend. He always worked in quiet ways and stayed out of the "lime light", expecting nothing in return. He especially enjoyed volunteer activities that would benefit children and/or his church.

Duane enjoyed hunting in his earlier years and harvested some nice trophy bucks over the years. Deer hunting was always a special time for him and his boys, even if he only served as camp cook as he grew older. Duane was a member of the local "Rock Hound" group and found joy in combing the beaches of the Yellowstone and other locales for Agates. He became highly skilled at crafting jewelry, belt buckles, neckties and necklaces. Many of these became gifts for family and friends.

Music was always a joy for Duane, primarily self taught, he could play by ear any instrument with strings. He especially enjoyed playing and listening to blue grass and traditional country music. Restoring steel guitars became a later passion in life, and personally owned many pristine guitars over the years.

Duane continued his love of sports by following his boys, and later his grandchildren, as they participated in their chosen sports and musical endeavors. He was very encouraging and would always accentuate the positives with his boys and his grandchildren. He was very proud of all of his family and their achievements. He loved being a Grandpa and a Great Grandpa!

Duane was a charter member of Light of Christ Lutheran Church. He served many years on the church board and particularly enjoyed his long time service as an usher.

Duane is survived by his wife, Darlene, of Williston, ND; sons: Duane L. (Darlene), and his sons Kyle, Kirk (Chrystal), and Kasey; Ronald (Penny), and his daughter Charlene (John) Bankston, Greg (Dorine) and their children Aubrey, Shaun and Brooke; and Kelly (Kari) and their children Kaitlin and Kameron; four great-grandchildren: Shaquille, Kobe, Brennon and Kaison; brothers, Lloyd (Shirley) of Ione, OR and Delmer of Fairview, MT; sister, Diane Maas of Nordman, ID; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Evalee Scott; brother, Floyd; and daughter-in-law, Wanda McNary.

In Memory Of Marvin Duane McNary





October 17, 1932 ~ June 8, 2011



FOOTPRINTS

One night a man had a dream. He dreamed he was walking along the beach with the LORD. Across the sky flashed scenes from his life. For each scene, he noticed two sets of footprints in the sand; one belonging to him, and the other to the LORD.

When the last scene of his life flashed before him, he looked back at the footprints in the sand. He noticed that many times along the path of his life there was only one set of footprints. He also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times in his life.

This really bothered him and he questioned the LORD about it. "LORD, you said that once I decided to follow you, you'd walk with me all the way. But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times in my life, there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why when I needed you most you would leave me."

The LORD replied, "My precious, precious child, I love you and I would never leave you. During your times of trial and suffering, when you see only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you."

Author Unknown

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Funeral Service

11:00 AM, Tuesday, June 14, 2011 Light Of Christ Lutheran Church Williston, North Dakota

Officiating

Rev. Gary Benson

Musicians

Michelle Lux LeRoy Benson

Casketbearers- His Grandchildren

Kyle, Kirk and Kasey Charlene, Aubrey, Shaun, Brooke Kaitlin and Kameron

Military Honors

Williston Veteran's Honor Guard North Dakota Veteran's Honor Guard

Interment

Hillside Memory Garden Williston, North Dakota

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