

Roy James Judkins was born at Banks, North Dakota on October 15, 1925, son of Guy and Eleanor (Satter) Judkins.

Roy went to country school through the eighth grade until which time he quit school to help support his family during the Depression years and his father's illness.

Roy joined the US Navy in 1943 and served in World War II in the South Pacific.

After his discharge in 1945 he did farm work for people and at the age of 21 he bought what would become Roy's Bar, which he owned and operated in Watford City for most of 50 years – selling it for a brief time in the 80's and buying it back. In 1982, he and two partners built the Burger Ranch in Watford City.

In 1947 he married Ada Conant. To this union three children were born.

Roy was an extremely hard worker. He loved the fall and hunting from the time he was a young boy until his death. He loved to golf in the spring and summer, a hobby he first picked up in the 60's playing on sand greens. He was known to play twice a day and be the first one out in the spring and the last one to play the course in the fall. He loved his yard and flowers. In the winter he played pinochle and cheered for the Minnesota Vikings.

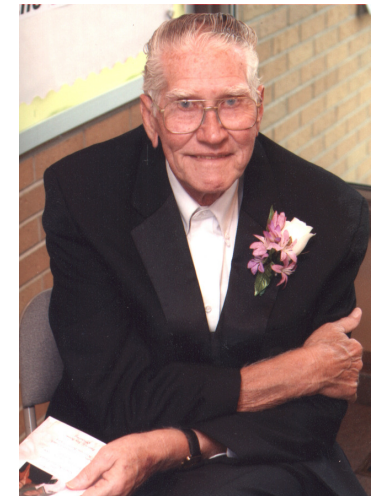
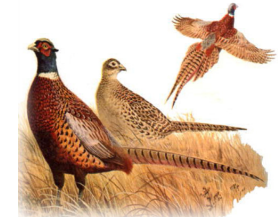
Roy was a loving and devoted father. His family was his main focus and the reason for his many years of hard work. He had unconditional love for his children and that never wavered in times of trouble. Words cannot possibly express how much we will miss him.

Roy died Thursday evening, July 19, 2007 at Mercy Hospital in Williston, surrounded by his loving family.

Roy is survived by his three children and their spouses: Beverly (Ed) Olson, Ronald (Clarice) Judkins of Watford City, and Tara (Robert) Treider of Williston, ND; his sister, Bettee (Tom) Haugen of Williston, ND; his six grandchildren: Staci (Todd) Ford, Wright, WY, Chad (Janel) Olson, Mandan, ND, Troy Olson, Ryan (Heather) Okland, and Aaron Judkins all of Watford City; and Kristin (Heath) Paulicheck of Williston, ND; and great grandchildren Kayla, Ashley and Kinsley Stout, Hunter and Zackery Ford, Brianna, Courtney and Alyssa Olson, Chase and Teigan Okland, and London Paulicheck; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brother Lyle Judkins and sisters Dorothy Lee, Sheila Grendahl and Shirley Elton, and great granddaughter Khloe Paulicheck.

IN MEMORY OF ROY JUDKINS



October 15, 1925 ~ July 19, 2007

*God looked around his garden
And he found an empty place
He then looked down upon his earth
And saw your tired face.
He put his arms around you
And lifted you to rest
God's garden must be beautiful
He always takes the best.
He knew that you were suffering
He knew you were in pain
He knew that you would never
Get well on earth again.
He saw the road was getting rough
And the hills are hard to climb.
So he closed your weary eyelids,
And whispered "Peace be Thine"
It broke our hearts to lose you
But you didn't go alone
For part of us went with you
The day God called you home.*

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ROY JUDKINS

DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH

October 15, 1925

Rural Banks, North Dakota

DATE AND PLACE OF DEATH

July 19, 2007

Williston, North Dakota

FUNERAL SERVICE

10:00 AM, Tuesday, July 24, 2007

First Lutheran Church

Watford City, North Dakota

OFFICIATING

Pastor Chris Montgomery

Dean Meyer, ~ Eulogist

MUSIC

Caroline Schwartz ~ Organist

Sandi Wisness ~ Vocalist

CASKET BEARERS

Robert Treider David Sanford

Fred Fridley, Sr. Norman Sondrol

Bruce Kaiser Carl Olson

HONORARY BEARERS

All of Roy's family & Friends

MILITARY RITES

Carl E. Rogen American Legion Post # 29

INTERMENT

Schafer Cemetery

Watford City, North Dakota

Arrangements by

Fulkerson Funeral Home

Watford City, North Dakota