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12/22/2012 - Joseph "Joe" Murer



Funeral services will be Saturday, December 22, 2012 at 11:00 AM at Chamberlain Chapel in Chadron with Paris Fisher officiating. Burial will be at Greenwood Cemetery in Chadron.

Joseph Leo Murer, 85, of Chadron, Nebraska died on Tuesday, December 18, 2012 at the Ponderosa Villa in Crawford.

He was born on July 9, 1927, in Bassett, Nebraska to Joseph S. and Mae L. (Stockdale) Murer. He lived in Bassett until second grade when his parents moved to Ainsworth, where he completed his schooling. He worked for the Nebraska Department of Roads before joining the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad in 1947. He worked there for forty-two years until 1989, as a conductor and brakeman.

On January 22, 1950, he married Geneva Hershiser. They lived in their home at 547 Cedar Street for 57 years. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, wood working, car mechanics and bee keeping. In the retirement years, he and Gen enjoyed traveling and visiting family all around the country. They wintered in Quartzsite, Arizona for many years.

His survivors include his wife, Geneva of Chadron; five children, Mickie Knowles of Westminster, Colorado, Roberta (Richard) Philby of Chadron, Nebraska, Jerry Lynn (Lymon) Williams of Henderson, Nebraska, Joseph Craig (Mishelle) Murer of Chadron, Nebraska, and Marilyn (Troy) Cradeur of Thornton, Colorado. He also has twenty-two grandchildren and twenty-eight great grandchildren.

Pallbearers will be grandsons: Joseph M. Knowles, Northglenn, Colorado; David A. Murer, Grand Island, Nebraska; Mike S. Cross of Aztec, New Mexico; Chris Preteen of Omaha, Nebraska; Joseph Q. Murer, Hutchison, Kansas; Patrick D. Murer, Winder, Georgia; E6AS1 Randall D. Lundy, US Navy, Pensacola, Florida; E5AO Houston A. Cradeur, US Navy, Tokyo; Japan, Daniel C. Cradeur of Del Rio, Texas.

A memorial has been established to the Chadron Volunteer Fire Department. Donations may be sent to Chamberlain Chapel, PO Box 970, Chadron, NE 69337. The family suggests memorials instead of flowers.

Online condolences can be made at www.chamberlainchapel.com

Chamberlain Chapel of Chadron is in charge of arrangements.