



## William "Bill" L. Busse

February 14, 1938 - March 6, 2011

William "Bill" Busse, age 73, of Mahnomen, MN, died Sunday, March 06, 2011 at Sanford Health Systems in Fargo, ND.

William Lee Busse was born on February 14, 1938 to Leland and Veronica "Swede" (Martin) Busse in Beaulieu, MN. He attended Daniel South Country School through the 6th grade and graduated with the Mahnomen High School class of 1955. Following graduation, Bill helped his dad on the farm and also at their saw mill. He entered the United States Army in August of 1958 and was honorably discharged in May of 1960 and returned home. On September 24, 1960, Bill was united in marriage to Marcella Blaser at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Beaulieu. Bill worked for 30 years at Mahnomen Concrete which became Aggregate Industries. He also worked for Gordon Construction and Northwest Constructors.

Bill was particularly fond of the fall and getting together with family and friends to make sausage. Whether it was fishing, hunting, cutting or splitting wood, he enjoyed the outdoors and all it had to offer, including shootin the breeze with anyone he could. After retiring, Bill could routinely be found at the Red Apple Café sharing stories with the other Knights of the Round Table. He also enjoyed time spent playing cards, especially cribbage, pinochle and whist. Bill was a lifelong member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, and helped every fall with the annual church dinner and bazaar. He also held memberships with the Knights of Columbus Mahnomen Council #2573 and the Mahnomen American Legion Isaacson-Bjorge Post #31.

Bill is survived by his wife of 50 years, Marcy; two sons, Michael (Debbe) Busse of Addison, IL and Brian (Christy) Busse of Breckenridge, MN; two daughters, Gloria (Randy) Winkler of Fosston, MN and Sheila (Rick) Clark Jr. of Lengby, MN; 11 grandchildren; a great-granddaughter, Arianna Winkler; a brother, James (Diane) of Mahnomen; five sisters: Marge Pederson of Bejou, MN, Sue (Dick) Buche of Hackensack, MN, Jan Smith of Mahnomen, Patty (Duane) Spaeth also of Mahnomen and Chris Olson of Wilton, ND; and special friends, Sharon (Dean) Burkman and their son, Ryan, of Mahnomen. He is preceded in death by a sister, Lois Steckley and two brothers, Myron "Boog" Busse and infant boy, Joseph Busse. Blessed be the memory of William Lee Busse.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held Friday, March 11, 2011 at 10:30 am at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Beaulieu, MN. Visitation will be held Thursday, March 10th from 5-7 pm with a prayer service and Knights of Columbus Rosary beginning at 7:00 pm at St. Michael's Catholic Church, Mahnomen. Burial will be in the St. Joseph's Catholic Cemetery, Beaulieu, MN. Memorials may be made to St. Joseph's Catholic Cemetery Fund or St. Michael's Catholic School.

# Tribute Wall

MA

“ *Marcy & family, Sorry to see the loss of Bill, He always had a smile and greeting for me, whenever we would stop at the Red Apple.*

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**Marcy(Jirik)Gish** - March 13, 2011 at 06:19 PM

KP

“ *Dear Busse Family,  
My thoughts and prayers are with you!! Bill was a great guy and will be missed.  
Love, Kris Pavlish*

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**Kris Pavlish** - March 13, 2011 at 02:26 PM

AB

“ *WE SEND YOU OUR SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS. WE ALWAYS ENJOYED OUR VISITS. GOD BE WITH YOU ALL.*

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**AUDREY BROADWELL** - March 13, 2011 at 12:43 AM

CA

“ *Marcie & Family. I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time.*

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**Cheryl Anderson** - March 11, 2011 at 02:01 PM

JR

“ *William "Bill" L. Busse*

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**JR.&CAROLBENSON** - March 11, 2011 at 11:55 AM

JH

“ To Bill's loved ones. I was saddened to hear of Bill's sudden passing. He had a quick smile for everyone and always took a moment to ask how you were. The entire community will miss him. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. *Julene (Guenther) Hodgson*

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**Julene (Guenther) Hodgson** - March 11, 2011 at 11:08 AM

PC

“ Thinking of the entire Busse family today as you say good-bye to Bill. Know that you are all in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Paul and Rhonda Collison** - March 11, 2011 at 11:01 AM

DS

“ My heart felt prayers go out to Bill's family! His Great Loud Laugh will be missed and remembered by everyoe who know him. May the lords peace be with all of you!

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**Donna Mae Spaeth** - March 10, 2011 at 09:18 PM

SW

“ I am so sorry to hear of Bill's passing. Know that your entire family is in my thoughts and prayers!

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**Sara (Collison) Wise** - March 10, 2011 at 06:24 PM

CE

“ Sympathies to the Busse family. I always enjoyed visiting with Bill at the KC Hall. *Cathy Erickson*

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**Cathy Erickson** - March 10, 2011 at 08:31 AM

VW

“ Marcy, Mike, Brian, Gloria and Sheila ~ So sorry to hear of the loss of Billy. I remember how much Billy loved to visit with family and friends. Thoughts and Prayers are with you all. Vicki Willet (Web's granddaughter/Jeanie's Daughter)

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**Vicki Willet** - March 09, 2011 at 06:03 PM

CS

“ Brian, Christy and family;  
Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. Take care.  
Mike & Connie Schmidt

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**CONNIE SCHMIDT** - March 09, 2011 at 12:12 PM

MK

“ My sympathy to the Busse Family. I have many fond memories of Bill throughout the years at Dr. LaDue's. He was always a joy to visit with. He will be missed. Prayers and thoughts are with you all during this most difficult time.

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**Mary Kaiser** - March 09, 2011 at 11:39 AM

WU

“ BILL AND I WERE CLASSMATES IN THE CLASS OF 1955. ALWAYS ENJOYED BILL FOR HE WAS A GOOD GUY TO BE AROUND. MY SYMPATHY GOES TO THE FAMILY FOR YOU HAVE LOST A SPECIAL PERSON. BLESSINGS. WAYNE

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**WAYNE UHLIR** - March 08, 2011 at 08:48 PM

AE

“ He will be missed by all his classmates.

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**Arvid Eid** - March 08, 2011 at 06:37 PM

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“ Brian, Christy and family - Our deepest sympathy during this most difficult time...

*Love you guys! Marv, Pam, Danae & Derek*

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**Pam Knapper** - - March 08, 2011 at 02:11 PM

DN

“ *The mahnomen high school class of 1955 sends regrets And sympathy to the family of Bill. He lives in our memories of school days And after. Don Nelson for the class of 1955.*

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**Donald nelson** - March 08, 2011 at 09:58 AM

TF

“ *Mike and Family, Please know that our prayers are with you at this difficult time. May God comfort you and your family...*

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**The White Family** - March 08, 2011 at 12:56 AM

SW

“ *My heartfelt sympathy and prayers are with your family at this time. I will miss Bill teasing me and making me laugh. I am so sorry for your loss. Rest in peace my friend.*

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**Sherry Walz** - March 07, 2011 at 04:16 PM

TA

“ *To the Busse Family. I am very sorry to hear of the passing of Bill. He was always so happy and had in infectious laugh. God Bless your family.*

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**Terri (Klabunde) Anderson** - March 07, 2011 at 03:03 PM

MS

“ *my deepest sympathy goes out to you in this time of sorrow. my god bless you with the strenght and faith to get thru is time.*

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**missy stevens** - March 07, 2011 at 02:08 PM

CB

“ *Marcie & family: We are so sorry to hear about Bill. He will missed very much. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.*

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**Chum & Clara Busse** - March 07, 2011 at 12:07 PM