



The Lord graciously took Andrew Van Dyken (85) home on February 26, 2008 at Bozeman Deaconess Hospital. He was born in Bozeman on November 15, 1922 to Sam and Marie (Vander Ploeg) Van Dyken.

Andrew married Josephine Schut of Hudsonville, Michigan in 1949 and three years later moved to Bozeman, Montana. Years later, they returned to Grand Rapids, Michigan where Andrew was employed at Keeler Brass Co. as an electrician. He also successfully invented and marketed the “Vanda Cruise” a cruise control for motorcycles. Andrew and Josephine were married thirty-five years and had three children. Andrew later married Jeanne Dyksterhouse (Flikkema) from Manhattan, Montana on August 19, 1983. They resided on Churchill, Montana. He was a long-time member of Bethel Christian Reformed Church. He enjoyed fishing, horseshoes, billiards and woodworking.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Ann Brumfield; and brothers, Garret and Bert Van Dyken.

Andrew is survived by his wife of twenty-five years, Jeanne; seven children and their spouses: Gail Kedde (Dale) Zieger of Caledonia, MI; Keven (Jayme Schlepp) Van Dyken of Bozeman, MT; Elden (Lisa) Van Dyken of Grand Rapids, MI; Alvin Dyksterhouse, Dan (Kathy) Dyksterhouse, and Mitch (Peggy) Dyksterhouse all of Manhattan, MT; and Joe (Lynn) Dyksterhouse of Belgrade, MT. He is also survived by sixteen grandchildren, five great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews; and by three sisters, Gertrude and Margaret Van Dyken, Jane (Bill) DeGraf, and brother, Paul (Grace) Van Dyken, all of Washington State.

Graveside Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 1, 2008 at Churchill Cemetery. Memorial Services will follow at 11 a.m. at Bethel Christian Reformed Church.

Memorials in Andrew’s name may be made to the Manhattan Christian School Foundation, 8000 Churchill Rd, Manhattan, MT 59741. Arrangements are in the care of Dokken-Nelson Funeral Service.