

## Walter Deitz

Walter Deitz, 68, Mahanomen, MN, died Monday, June 12, at Innovis Health System in Fargo, ND.



Walter James Deitz was born October 4, 1937, the son of Walter and Selma (Bergum) Deitz, in Grand Forks, ND. He was raised in

Grand Forks and attended Central High School there. At the age of 19, Walter began working for the Great Northern Rail Road as a machinist. Walter was united in marriage to Helen Evenson in Crookston, MN, on May 13, 1957. The couple made their home in Grand Forks and began their family. They purchased a home in East Grand Forks, MN, in 1964, where they lived for eight years. Walter and Helen moved to Mahanomen, where they purchased Fairway Foods Grocery Store in 1972. Together, they owned and operated the grocery store until 1998, when he began working at the Shooting Star Casino Surveillance Department. Walter was still currently working at the casino and they continued to make their home in Mahanomen.

Walter truly enjoyed working and spent much of his time doing just that. When he did take time off, he liked doing research on the computer and trying his luck at the casino. Walter loved to cook and often shared homemade treats with his co-workers. He also liked going to Wal-Mart and stopping to eat at his favorite Chinese restaurants.

Walter is survived by his wife, Helen, Mahanomen; son, David, Mahanomen; three daughters, Renee (Paul) Neisen, Hastings, MN, Linda Deitz, Minneapolis, MN, and Roxanne (Bryan Adriaens) Pergl, Zimmerman, MN; one brother, Gary (Bonnie), East Grand Forks, MN; one sister, Sharon Wynne, Thief River Falls, MN; nine grandchildren, one great granddaughter, and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a son, Randall; and two grandsons, Michael Neisen and Ryan Hegg.

**Funeral Services** will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, June 16, 2006, at Evanger Lutheran Church, rural Grand Forks, ND.

**Visitation** will be held on June 15, 2006, from 4:00 until 7:00 p.m., with a Prayer Service at 7:00 p.m., all at First Lutheran Church, in Mahanomen. Visitation will also take place on Friday from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. at Evanger Lutheran Church, rural Grand Forks.

**Burial** will be at Memorial Park Cemetery in Grand Forks.

**Arrangements entrusted to Anderson-Mattson Funeral Home, Mahanomen.**