



## Bud Veltema

March 28, 1933 - October 27, 2011

MCBAIN - Bud Veltema, of McBain, went home to be with the Lord on Thursday, Oct. 27, 2011, at his home. He was 78.

He was born on March 28, 1933, in Richland Township, Missaukee County, to Mynard and Fenna (Warsen) Veltema. He married Winneva L. DeKraker on Sept. 2, 1955, in Falmouth, and she preceded him in death on Nov. 17, 1994.

He was a member of the Lucas Christian Reformed Church, where he had served as a deacon. He had taught 4-H in Missaukee County and worked for Pete Schierbeek Construction, Greenville Construction, John Koetje, Marion Lumber Yard and in the maintenance department at the Missaukee County Court House. He retired in 1998. He enjoyed hunting, two tracking, going for coffee with his friends, traveling, woodworking, mounting deer antlers and especially his family.

He is survived by two sons, Jerry (Lori) Veltema of McBain, and David (Adele) Veltema of Marion; four grandchildren, Katie Veltema of McBain, Kyle Veltema and fiancée, Trisha of Lake City, Justin Veltema and Wyatt Veltema; a great-grandchild, Jalie Veltema of Lake City; a sister, Dee (John) Koetje of Rockford; very special friend, Bev Sandraco of Posen; in-laws, Bill (Ruth) DeKraker and Bob (Joyce) DeKraker of Grand Rapids area.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two daughters, Susan Veltema on Feb. 6, 1978, and Karen Fredricks on June 14, 1991.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Oct. 31, 2011, at the Lucas Christian Reformed Church with the Rev. Steve VanNoort officiating. Interment will be in the Lucas Cemetery. A visitation will be held from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 30, 2011, at the church.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Mercy Hospice. Arrangements were made by the Burkholder Funeral Home in McBain.

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