



Bernard John Matlock

June 21, 1929 - August 26, 2019

Bernard J Matlock, 90 of Cloquet passed away August 26, 2019 in St. Luke's hospital following a stroke. One of eight children, he was born June 21, 1929 to John and Antoinette (Jacob) Matlock.

Bernard was a lifelong resident of Cloquet. As a child he helped his father with the crops they grew and digging basements around town with their well known team of horses. His schooling was completed in 1947 when he graduated from Cloquet Senior High School. He started working for the Potlatch Paper Co. in 1949 where he advanced to foreman and completed a career that lasted 41 years. In 1951 He married the love of his life, Rose Carl and they soon after began raising a family and built their own home. Through his own means, he became an experienced mechanic and carpenter. Although these were skills he had, they were also what he enjoyed doing. His other great past time was bowling. He became one of the best bowlers in the area. During 32 years of league bowling from the 60's to the 90's he earned 17 team or personal championships. He was the first person to bowl a 700 series in Cloquet, and was inducted into the Duluth Area Bowling Association Hall of Fame in 1998. He was also a prior member and officer of the local Eagles club. He always enjoyed road trips and took the family on many adventures short and long, usually via the scenic route. As the kids matured and left home, he made it a point to extend his travels even further to spend time with them in places like Alaska, Canada, and Hawaii.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Rose: brother, Leonard: and sisters, Margaret Klejwa and Eleanor Aho.

He is survived by his daughter, Mary (Steven) Isaacson; three sons, Bernard (Shirley) of Cohasset, Roger (Mary) of Carlton, and Curtis of Cloquet; sister, Bernice Denzler of Cloquet; brothers, Lawrence (Jo) of Burnsville, James (Delores) of Burnsville and Kenneth (Karen) of Brewster, MA; and 9 grandchildren and 18 great grandchildren.

Cemetery

New Calvary Cemetery

695 County Road 115
Cloquet, MN, 55720

Events

SEP 7 **Visitation** 10:00AM - 11:00AM

Atkins Northland Funeral Home
801 14th St., Cloquet, MN, US, 55720

SEP 7 **Service**

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