Richard G. Marsh was born July 20, 1926 in Dickinson, ND to Anton and Philomena (Pribyl) Marsh. He grew up and attended school at Sts. Peter and Paul School in New Hradec and later Model High in Dickinson. Richard was drafted into the US Navy in 1944 and served his country during World War II. After being honorably discharged, he returned to the family farm northwest of Dickinson. On July 24, 1950 Richard married Frances Volesky at Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in New Hradec. The couple made their home on the family farm where they raised their family of seven children. Richard had a love for the farm life. He enjoyed fixing fence and making hay, especially swathing. Richard and Frances retired in 1981 and moved into Dickinson. He continued to work on the farm as long as he was able. In town Richard enjoyed woodworking and fishing. He also enjoyed collecting toy tractors and playing cards, especially pinochle. He loved his grandchildren and great grandchildren. His faith in the Lord was very important and was a great example to all his family. Richard was a member of Knights of Columbus, Eagles Club, and St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church. Richard passed away January 12, 2010 at St. Joseph Hospital and Health Center, Dickinson, ND, with his family by his side. Richard is survived by his wife, Frances, Dickinson, ND; children, Rosella (James) Perdaems, South Heart, ND, Ramona (Dallas) Carlson, Dickinson, ND, Cynthia (Ken) Kuylen, Pick City, ND, Sandra (Larry) Pavlish, Phoenix, AZ, Dean (Bey) Marsh, Horace, ND, Duane (Doris) Marsh, Dickinson, ND and Rick (Sheryl) Marsh, Dickinson, ND; grandchildren, Jennifer (Mike) Freeman, Rebecca (Arthur) Jerome, James Perdaems, Jessica (Robert) Nasset, Dallas Carlson, Christopher Kuylen, Kelly Kuylen, Ryan Pavlish, Melissa Marsh, Eric Marsh, Vanna (Rob) Gassmann, Amy (Travis) Anton, Larissa Marsh, Emerson Marsh, Brielle Marsh, Brian Marsh, Jon Marsh, Paul Marsh, Michael Marsh and Nathaniel Marsh; 15 great grandchildren; sister, Elsie Dvorak, Dickinson, ND; sisters-in-law, Eleanor Marsh and Martha Marsh. He is preceded in death by his parents; brothers; George and Charles Marsh; sisters; Hattie (Joe) Adamski and Dorothy (George) Dvorak; brother-in-law, William Dvorak.
God gives us each a gift of life
To cherish from our birth.
He gives us friends and those we love
To share our days on Earth.

He watches us with loving care
And takes us by the hand,
He blesses us with countless joys
And guides the lives we’ve planned.

Then, when our work on Earth is done,
He calls us to His side,
To live with Him in happiness
Where peace and love abide.