

Harris Vincent Osvold was born August 21, 1933, to Carl and Catherine (Gallagher) Osvold in Crosby, North Dakota. He was raised in Crosby and attended school there. On July 24, 1953, Harris enlisted into the United States Army at Camp Chaffee, Arkansas. He served in the Korean Conflict and was raised to the rank of Corporal. He was honorably discharged at Fort Bliss, Texas, with the National Defense Service Medal, Korean Service Medal, and the United Nations Service Medal.

After his military discharge, Harris spent some time in California before returning to Crosby.

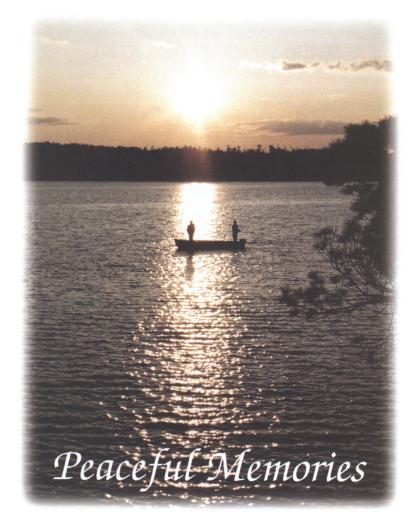
On February 21, 1958, Harris was united in marriage to Kathleen Brothers in Plentywood, MT. Together they raised their family of four children. They lived for a time in Bowman, ND, and later Libby, MT, where he worked at a lumber mill, before returning to Crosby in 1964. In Crosby, he worked as a seismographer and driller on the oil rigs. In 1967 he and his family move to Tioga, where he and Wayne Grindy started G&O Coating Service, an oil field service company which they ran for 20 years. Harris was in oil field accident in the early 1980s which resulted in a permanent disability, and he had to slow down after his injury.

Harris enjoyed camping, fishing and woodworking. He cherished time with his family, especially his grandchildren, and his friends. He was a terrific caregiver to his wife Kathy for several years when her health began to fail; she preceded him in death on December 19, 1999.

He was a member of St. Thomas Catholic Church and was a life member of the Tioga Volunteer Fire Department. He will be sorrowfully missed by his family and friends.

Harris is survived by his sons, Steve Osvold of Morris Plains, NJ, and Shannon Osvold of Tioga; daughters, Peggy Fleming of Tioga and Lorri (John) Zenz of Watford City; grandchildren, Nicole Fleming, Jeanna Zenz and Carter Zenz; brothers, Joseph (Myra) Osvold and Fred (Diane) Osvold both of Crosby; sister-in-law, Carol Brothers of Libby, MT; and brother-inlaw, Melvin "Ike" Brothers of Meridian, CO.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Kathleen; brothers, Charles, James, Frank, Donald and Gregory; and sisters, Geraldine, Mary, and Sandra.



He Was Just A Man A Husband, A Father A Fisherman. A Hunter He Was Just A Man One Of Those Chosen Few He Was Just A Man He Spoke His Mind, It Wasn't Always My Mind He Went His Way, It Wasn't Always My Way He Was Just A Man To Move In Our Midst For His Time Then On To The Next Time Yet Still With Us In Our Memories And His Beloved Children He Was Just A Man We Are Stronger And Better For Having Known Him And We Are Deprived By His Absence He Was Just A Man Would That They Say As Much Of Me When I Pass "He Was Just A Man"

Harris V. Osvold Date And Place Of Birth Date And Place of Death August 21, 1933 March 30, 2009 Crosby, North Dakota Tioga, North Dakota **Funeral Service** 11:00 AM, Thursday, April 2, 2009 St. Thomas Catholic Church Tioga, North Dakota Clergy Father Sebastian Gregory Greeters **Denver Ruppert** Courtney Ruppert **Musicians** Brian Osvold ~ Soloist Mary Ellen Roloff ~ Accompanist Casketbearers Jeff Osvold Brian Osvold Dan Osvold John Griffith Kurt Bickler Dale Montgomery **Military Honors** Tioga American Legion Post # 139 North Dakota Veterans Honor Guard Interment United Cemetery Tioga, North Dakota

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