



## Willard Westlund

May 5, 1915 - November 29, 2005

WILLARD WESTLUND NORWAY- Willard V. Westlund age 90 of Norway died Tuesday, November 29, 2005 at Pinecrest Medical Care Facility in Powers, Michigan. He was born on May 5, 1915 in Norway the son of the late Victor and Paulina (Lindstrom) Westlund. Willard graduated from Norway High School in 1933; he played football and had the nickname "Chunk". He married Sylvia Siko on June 29, 1940 in St. Joan of Ark Church in Goodman. She preceded him in death in 1989. He had a very interesting life, working on farms in North Dakota, mining in California, Ishpeming and Vulcan, working in the woods in the Carney Lake area and finally at the Niagara Paper mill, where he retired from. Willard was an avid fisherman, hunter and loved going to camp with his life long friend Fred Larson. He was an avid reader and good listener, could converse on any subject. He was a storyteller and had a mind full of old songs that he loved to sing at unexpected times and tell a good joke. He always had a special place in his heart for children and all animals. Willard took great pleasure in feeding all the woodland creatures that came daily to his feeder outside his kitchen window. Willard is survived by his nieces Karen Salling, Pauline Calka, Helen Swanson and Sharon Monroe; nephew Boyd Neuman; his caregiver for many years Marcia LeMire. He was preceded in death by his sister Alma Swanson, many sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law, nephew Fred Swanson and life long friend Fred Larson. Visitation will be held on Saturday, December 3, from 10 to 11 a.m. at the Miner-Ortman Funeral Home in Norway. Funeral services will be held on Saturday at 11 a.m. at the Miner-Ortman Funeral Home with Deacon Ron LeMire of St. Mary's Church in Norway presiding. Interment will follow at the Norway Township Cemetery.