



John Bruce

November 6, 2009

John W. Bruce, age 78 of Spencer, Iowa, passed away on Saturday November 7, 2009 at Avera McKennan Hospital in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. He was born on November 22, 1930 in Pekin, Illinois, to Stewart and Aley (Whitson) Bruce. John was united in marriage to Alice Lathrop in 1951, and later divorced. He married Marla (Broyles) Orris on February 2, 1979 in Elk Point, South Dakota. John grew up in Pekin, Illinois, and graduated from Pekin High School in 1948. He went on to further his education, graduating from Eureka College in Eureka, Illinois in 1952. While in college, John was active in the Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity. John dealt in sales of agriculture machinery and was a banker for ten years. In his younger years, John was in Boy Scouts and later active in Eagles, Moose and Lions Clubs. John was very passionate about his faith and his conservative values. John enjoyed golfing,