



## Merton Brault

May 4, 1935 - May 4, 2009

Merton Brault, 74, of Niagara, died Mon. May 4, 2009 at Dickinson County Memorial Hospital. He was born on May 10, 1934 in Niagara, the son of the late Alcide and Laura (Durocher) Brault.

Merton served in the U.S. Army from 1957-1959. He was a lifelong resident of Niagara and a member of St. Anthony Catholic Church. He owned and operated the Chalet Bar and Mert's Sporting Goods in Niagara. He worked for the Village of Niagara prior to working at the Niagara Mill. He retired in 1996 after twenty-eight years of service.

He married Ginger Smaney on July 8, 1961 at St. Anthony Catholic Church.

Merton loved the outdoors, especially golfing and deer hunting. For fifty years he enjoyed hunting in the Montang. He also enjoyed going to Fritz's camp. Merton was a loving husband, father, grandfather, and great grandfather.

He is survived by his loving wife of forty-seven years Ginger, three children Ray (Judy) Brault of Niagara, Tom (Barbie) Brault of Aurora, and Julie (Ron) Wodenka of Niagara, five grandchildren Kayla, Matt, and Brenna Wodenka, Ginette (Jesse) Lawatsch, and Jon (Nicole) Brault, a great grandson Devon Lawatsch, three brothers Leroy "Jug" Brault (Cynthia) of Arizona, Ronald (Gloria) Brault of Niagara, and Marvin (Mary) Brault of Crystal Falls, two

sisters Marlene Jacobson (Wayne) of Vulcan, and Beverly (Ronnie) Richard of Kingsford, numerous nieces, nephews and many lifelong friends.

He was preceded in death by an infant sister Mayfern Brault and a great-grandson Gabe Lawatsch.

Visitation will be Thurs. from 9:30-11:30 am at St. Anthony Catholic Church. Funeral services will be at 11:30 at the church. Father Matt Settle will officiate the Mass of Christian Burial. Burial will be in the Niagara Cemetery.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Merton Brault online at [www.tondinfuneralhome.com](http://www.tondinfuneralhome.com)

The family has entrusted the Tondin-Ross & Freeman Funeral Home with the arrangements.

# Tribute Wall

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“Ginger, Ray, Tommy Julie and family; our thoughts and prayers are with you. I have many fond memories of Mert as I was growing up. He was always kind and interested in things us kids were doing. I remember baseball, hunting and probably the most vivid were the times he spent coaching us in the ski jumping club. He was the driving force to restarting the club and keeping us involved. It was a great time and experience that I will always remember.

*Guy Gordon & family*

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**Guy Gordon** - May 13, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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“To Merton's Family, and Marvin & Mary, I am so sorry for your loss, thou I never met Merton I listen to so many stories about when Merton was young it was just like living it. Stories that will fill your heart and mine with smiles forever. Peace be with you. Venessa Kuzak Statum

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**Venessa Kuzak Statum** - May 06, 2009 at 12:00 AM