



SHERWOOD – Trygve Kalmer Knutson (Trig or T.K.), 92, of Sherwood, went to his heavenly home on Saturday, Dec. 10, 2016, at the Good Samaritan Home in Mohall. Trig was born on the family farm in Rockford Township, Renville County, west of Sherwood, on July 6, 1924, to Carl and Kari (Aarhus) Knutson. He attended all eight grades at the Stafford #4 country school. His high school years were spent at Kenmare and Sherwood, but before graduating he joined the U.S. Navy on June 10, 1943, just before his senior year. While in the Navy he received his GED from San Diego High School. Trig was assigned to naval destroyer escort U.S.S. Samuel S. Miles DE 183 as Fire Control Officer 3rd Class. His ship was sent to serve in the Pacific theater including the battles of Iwo Jima and Okinawa. He was honorably discharged on March 5, 1946. He was proud to have served our country and had many memorable experiences while in the Navy. He was among the World War II veterans who were chosen to go to Washington, D.C., on the 2010 Honor Flight. He was also awarded service medals in 2015 by Senator John Hoeven at a ceremony in Minot.

After returning from the war, Trig met the love of his life, Dorothy Irene Lakefield. They were married on June 5, 1949, and he lovingly called her “his bride” ever since. They farmed in the Lansford area before moving to Sherwood. During the 1950s, he was the Standard Oil Dealer in Sherwood. In the 1960s, he started working for the U.S. Postal Service as a rural mail carrier and also farmed in the Sherwood area until his retirement in 1980. Together Trig and Dorothy had six children, of whom they were very proud. Trig enjoyed hunting, restoring old cars and taking care of “his bride.” He always believed that a man was only as good as his word. A good-but-stubborn Norwegian, his life values were God, country and family. He was a member of Our Savior Lutheran Church in Sherwood, a 70-year member of Bothun- Peterson American Legion Post #213, Sherwood, and a member of the Rural Mail Carriers Association. He served the Sherwood community as a member of various councils including school, church and city.

Family: his wife of 67 years, Dorothy; daughters, Brenda (Dick) Johnson, Dunseith, Cheryl Knutson, Phoenix, Ariz., Cindy Cooper, Bismarck, and Sheri Knutson, Sundance, Wyo.; sons, Greg Knutson, Thornton, Colo., and Tim (Gail) Knutson, Sherwood; grandchildren, David Johnson, Jennifer Penner, Kimberly Cooper, Kaitlin Sisk, Emily Sondrol, Taylor Knutson, Josh Herigstad, Ryan Herigstad, Jesse Halstengaard and Sheyenne Halstengaard; great- grandchildren, Christian, Kaleb, Zoie and Kamden; great-great-granddaughter, Ariya; sisters, Carolyn Houmann, Sun City, Ariz., and Thelma Nelson, Fargo; and numerous nieces and nephews. Trygve was preceded in death by: his parents; brothers, Gilmore, Arne, Robert and Arnold Knutson; and sisters, Constance Turpin, Elna Knox, Melba Gilseth and Roselyn Thorson. Funeral: 2 p.m., Friday, Dec. 16, 2016, at Our Savior Lutheran Church, Sherwood. Burial: Sherwood Union Cemetery, Sherwood, in the spring. Family Service: 7 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 15, 2016, at the funeral home. Visitation: 1 to 7 p.m., Thursday, at Brose Funeral Home, Mohall.