Robert E. Bechtold, 93, was was born on August 14, 1928 to Edward and Christine (Rueb) Bechtold in Baker MT. While growing up with his 9 siblings he enjoyed hunting jack rabbits, playing softball and baseball. He attended Pleyna Baptist church and came to know Jesus as his Savior there. After completing 8th grade he went to work for many area farm and ranches sending money home to help his mother who became a widow at an early age. He worked at Fort Keogh in Miles City, Mt. for a year, then back to ranch work in the Baker area. During this time he met and married his wife Dianne Burns on June 15, 1959. They moved to Powell Wyoming where Bob worked in the oil field for his Brother in law Ron Brandner. Eventually they moved back to Baker where he went to work for Randash Motors as a service technician for several years. After that he went to work as custodian for his brother in law Clyde Burns who owned the Fallon County Clinic, when the clinic merged into Fallon Medical Complex he continued working as a custodian there until his retirement. The girls at the complex called him Buffing Bob because he buffed the floors and kept the complex extra clean and shiny. He enjoyed joking with the other employees and was known as a kind and caring man. Bob and Di enjoyed traveling to many different states. Bob and Di were married for 34 years until Dianne passed away in November of 1993. Bobby enjoyed spending holidays with his niece Paula Fuchs, husband Roger and her family. A good game of Mexican train dominoes was always played. After Dianne passed Bob eventually moved to Plevna and was blessed to have Ollie Sparks in his life. They too traveled some and enjoyed Ollie's children and grandkids. A few years after Ollie's passing Bob moved to back to Baker and lived in one of the Complex apartments. He enjoyed the other people who lived there and also the kitchen staff who spoiled him a little with their helpful ways. The ladies at the complex were good to include him in gatherings and always made sure he went home with leftovers to eat. In March of 2020 due to failing health he moved into Long term care. He was the life of the party, they say, always being cheerful and involved in the activities there. At

last count he had 60 dollars in quarters from winning at Bingo. His mind was sharp and he had a sense of humor into the last days of life. Bobby loved the Lord and shared his faith with many he came into contact with. He went to Heaven on September 18, 2021. Bobby is survived by his brother Bennie Bechtold of Billings,MT, and sister Martha Wenz of Chico, California. Sisters in law Echoe Bechtold of Bozeman,MT, llene Brandner of Klamath Falls, OR ,and Merri Burns, of Baker,Mt. And numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his wife Dianne, and longtime companion Ollie Sparks. His parents, twin sister Otillia, sister Anna Kielhbach, brothers John, Ted, Herbert, Otto and Eddy Bechtold.



The Twenty-Third Psalm

The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: He leadeth me beside the still waters: He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness' For his name's sake ... Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for Thou art with me: Thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over ... Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever



Bobby Bechtold

FUNERAL SERVICE:

Thursday, September 23, 2021 2:00 pm Stevenson Funeral Home Baker, Montana

VISITATION:

Thursday, September 23, 2021 1:00 - 2:00 pm Stevenson Funeral Home Baker, Montana

> **OFFICIATING:** Pastor Josh Mclachlan

PALLBEARERS:

Shyla Barnosky Brenda Dietz T.C. Shelhamer Terry Bechtold Courtney Dietz Sean Schelhamer

HONORARY PALLBEARERS:

All of Bobby's Nieces and Nephews

INTERMENT:

Bonnievale Cemetery Baker, Montana

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