

## CROSS

This block in Row 5 was the site of a white wooden cross, built and erected by Frank Walczyk. The day after Mr. Walczyk's funeral the cross fell down. Preparations are now being made to erect a new cross 2004.



### **Frank Walczyk**

Frank E Walczyk, 80, a 49-year Aberdeen resident, died Thursday, Jan. 27, 2000, in Grays Harbor Community Hospital at Aberdeen. He was born April 1, 1919, in the Wishkah Valley to Joseph and Amelia (Aigustyn) Walczyk. He grew up in the Wishkah Valley, graduating in 1939 from the Wishkah Valley High School, where he had been known as an outstanding athlete. An Army veteran of 1942 to 1946, Mr. Walczyk served in the Signal Corps in the South Pacific. On March 31, 1951, he married Thelma Wigstad in Aberdeen. She survives at the family home. Mr. Walczyk was a logger his entire working life and had been employed by many area companies. He was a member of the Grays Harbor Sons of Norway; the Aberdeen Pioneer Association; International Woodworkers of America in Aberdeen and the Grays Harbor Senior Travel Club. He helped maintain St. John's Cemetery in the Wishkah Valley and served on the cemetery board. His interests included being outdoors, woodworking, making toys, hunting, walking, picking blackberries, peeling cascara bark and cruising in his four-wheel drive vehicle, of which he called his "tow-jo." He also enjoyed photography and was often seen with a video camera in his hand. Besides his wife, survivors include two sons, Joseph G. of West Linn, Ore., and David P. of Rochester; two daughters, Francine R. Eide of Olympia and Ingrid A. Olson of Edmonds; two sisters, Bertha Lentz of Aberdeen and Josie Haavisto of Seattle, and eight grandchildren. Three brothers, Stanley, Andrew and Felix, and eight sisters, Stella Missel, Mary, Sophie Ayres Lesman, Anna Haskey, Laria Zembal, Kate Bell, Helen Jaskar and Julia, all died before him. Visitation will be from 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 30, at the Fern Hill Funeral Home in Aberdeen. A funeral is set for 11 a.m. Monday in Our Saviour's Lutheran Church at Aberdeen. A concluding service, with a military honor guard, and vault interment will be in St. John's Cemetery. Memorial contributions are suggested to PAWS, 800 W. First St., or Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, 111 E. Fourth St., both Aberdeen, 98520.