Robert (Bud) Larsen



Robert (Bud) Larsen, 81, of Grinnell died Saturday, Jan. 10, 2004, at St. Francis Manor.

A Mass of the Resurrection was held Wednesday, Jan. 14, at St. Mary's Catholic Church with the Rev. Robert Gruss, pastor of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Pella, and the Rev. Mr. William Olson, deacon of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Grinnell, officiating. Music was by Marilyn Kreigel, organist, and the St. Mary's Choir. Casket bearers were Jerry Carpenter, Jim Cunningham, Hugh German, Mike Hotchkin, David Schmitz and Ken Wichman. Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery, A scripture service was held Tuesday evening at Smith Funeral Home with members of the Grinnell Veterans Ceremonial Unit making a flag presentation.

He was born Sept. 21, 1922, near Grinnell to Lewis and Elida Thorsen Larsen. He was raised on the family farm and attended rural school in Chester Township, then graduating from Grinnell High School with the class of 1940. During World War II he served with the United States Army Air Corps in the South Pacific.

On Nov. 25, 1946, he was married to Eileen Donohoe in Grinnell. The couple operated a grain and livestock farm in Chester Township until their retirement in 1988 after which they moved to Grinnell. He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, the Grinnell Elks Lodge and the Poweshiek County Farm Bureau.

He is survived by his wife Eileen of Grinnell; two sons Robert Larsen of Flower Mound, Texas, and Brent Larsen of Grinnell and two grandsons. He was preceded in death by his parents; five brothers, Ralph, Carl, Lloyd, Donald and Roger Larsen and four sisters, Louise Wichman, Esther Ahrens, Thelma Larsen and Doris Marino.

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Robert "Bud" Larsen, 81, of Grinnell died on Saturday, Jan. 10, at St. Francis Manor here.

The Mass of the Resurrection for Robert Larsen will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 14, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Grinnell. Burial will follow in Hazelwood Cemetery.

A scripture service will be held at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 13, at Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell.

Friends may call at the funeral home beginning at noon on Tuesday. The family will be present at the funeral home from 6 to 8 p.m.

Memorials may be directed to St. Mary's Parish Foundation.

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