

John Van Ersvelde

John E. Van Ersvelde, 74, of Brooklyn died Monday, Oct. 31, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Brooklyn, with the Rev. Joe Rogers officiating. Organist was Marilyn Kriegel, and casket bearers were Jeff, Matt and Neal Van Ersvelde, William Miller, Balzer Kriegel, Tim Ingersoll and Maynard Saylor. *Brooklyn*

Burial was in Calvary Cemetery, with military rites conducted by members of Francis Gallagher American Legion Post 294. The Nevenhoven Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

The son of Henry and Mary Van Wauss Van Ersvelde, he was born on a farm northeast of Brooklyn on Oct. 2, 1920. He attended rural school. He was a farmer and a veteran of the U.S. Navy.

On Feb. 19, 1946, he was married to Dorothy Elizabeth Berry in Brooklyn. They continued to farm, and Mr. Ersvelde later began doing carpentry work. The family moved to Brooklyn in 1970. He continued to work as a carpenter, working with Leonard Souter and Lewis Hasley until he retired.

Mr. Van Ersvelde was a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church and the American legion.

He is survived by two sons, Larry of Grinnell and Bill of Belle Plaine; two daughters, Linda Van Ersvelde and Carol Rice, both of Grinnell; one brother, Frank of Brooklyn; five sisters, Emma Frommett of Montgomery, Ala., Rose LaKose of Brooklyn, Philomena Fraker of Marshalltown, Clara Cornelis of Brooklyn and Josephine Henry of Barnes City; and four grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and three brothers, Raymond, Bruno and Henry.

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John E. Van Ersvelde, 74, of Brooklyn, died Monday morning, Oct. 31, in Grinnell Hospital.

Services for Mr. Van Ersvelde will be 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, Nov. 2, in St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Brooklyn. Rev. Fr. Joe Rogers, pastor, will officiate.

Organist will be Mrs. Marilyn Kriegel. Casket-bearers will be Jeff Van Ersvelde, Matt Van Ersvelde, Neal Van Ersvelde, William Miller, Balzer Kriegel, Tim Ingersoll, and Maynard Saylor. Interment will be in Calvary Cemetery with flag folding ceremonies conducted by members of Francis Gallagher American Legion Post #294. A scripture services was held Nov. 1, in the Nevenhoven Funeral Home.

John Edward Van Ersvelde, son of Henry Van Ersvelde and Mary Van Wauss Van Ersvelde, was born on a farm northeast of Brooklyn, Oct. 2, 1920. John received his education in a rural school. He farmed until he served with the U.S. Navy. After returning from the service he farmed.

On Feb. 19, 1946, he was united in marriage to Dorothy Elizabeth Berry in St. Patrick's Church, Brooklyn. They farmed south of Brooklyn and later John started doing carpenter work with Robert Morgan and Leonard Souter. They moved into Brooklyn in 1970. He continued to work as a carpenter working with Leonard Souter and Lewis Hasley until he retired.

John was a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church of Brooklyn and Francis Gallagher American Legion Post #294.

Surviving are two sons and their wives, Larry and Gini Van Ersvelde of Grinnell and Bill and Mary Van Ersvelde of Belle Plaine; two daughters, Linda Van Ersvelde and Carol Rice, both of Grinnell; one brother, Frank Van Ersvelde of Brooklyn; five sisters, Emma Frommett of Montgomery, Ala., Rose LaKose of Brooklyn, Philomena Fraker of Marshalltown, Clara Cornelis of Brooklyn, and Josephine. Mrs. Edward Henry of Barnes City; and four grandchildren, Jeff Van Ersvelde, Matt Van Ersvelde, Neal Van Ersvelde, and Diane RaPuc.

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