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Summit Lake and Hortonville, Wisconsin. Today we lost a father, father-in-law, grandpa, great-grandpa (with no teeth) and a dear friend to many and an enemy to few. He is survived by son, Dan Kringel (Rita), their two children Katrina Schuler and Chris Kringel (fiancé Barbara), daughter June Laux Wiersma, her three children Brenda Van Den Eng (Roger), Steve Laux, Bradley Laux (Nikki), and daughter Joannie Lutz (David), her children Craig Ogden (Georgia), Cary Ogden (Sarah) Andy Ogden (Melissa), Step-grandchildren Scott Lutz, Jim Lutz, Terri Wierichs (Tom) and Diane Wilquet (Ron). Survived by great-grandchildren, Miles and Emma Schuler, Troy, Tyler (Nicole) and Trista Van Den Eng, Lawrence and Zachary Laux, Jennifer and Danielle Laux, Joe and Caroline Ogden, Lilyann and new expected great-grandson, Gabriel Grant Ogden; Adele, Isabel and Eryn Ogden, Step-great-grandchildren Heather Brouchard (Rick) and Nicole Wierichs. John is also survived by very special and devoted friend Doris Jamison who spent countless hours with John to the very end, sister-in-laws Verna Fouts and Arlouaine Kringel, many other nieces, nephews, and too many friends to mention, but you know who you are. John was preceded in death by his special, wonderful and strong wife, Clarice in 2000. Also preceding him in death were two great-grandsons, Samuel Ogden and Grant Ogden, two son-in-laws, Lawrence (Buzzy) Laux and Jimmy Wiersma, his parents Elmer and Alma Kringel and brother Melvin Kringel. His is also preceded in death by sisters, brothers and their spouses of Clarice. John was in the US ARMY from 1944 to 1946, serving as Platoon Sargent at Camp Walter, Texas and Artillery Sargent at Fort Bliss, Texas. He also served as WW 2 Drill Sargent. John was also the first post paid Life member of Post 55 in Hortonville was as two time elected commander and Adjutant. He also held other various offices with his proud post. He was a past member of the American Legion Post Commanders Club, a member of the Hortonville Commercial



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Club, a member of the Hortonville Cemetery Board , BABA Basketball and American Legion Baseball teams. He retired in 1985 from Appleton Wire Works (Albany International) after 38 years of services as a Journeyman Machinist. He was a member of Albany Quarter Century Club and served as Union Steward to Sulfite Pulp and Paperworks of Appleton for many years. John was also a charter member of Grandview Golf Course Fond memories for John included those special New Year's Eve card sessions with special friends. How much playing of cards we don't know. We only know that they had fun; early years of fishing on the Wolf River with Dan. He loved his fishing trips to Canada with his grandsons, his berry and peaches picking in Michigan with his wife Clarice and later with grand-daughter Brenda and Doris. His fishing trips to Peavey Pond and Kentuck Lake with Brenda and Roger. He owned boats just to own boats. Andy and David were his gophers. Go for this and go for that. Joannie cooked like Clarice and he loved to eat. June played his trumpet, chip off the old block, but only better. Most of all he loved his lake home and all those special friends and family who spent countless hours making his dream come true. Services will be held, Monday, May 5 at 11:00 A.M. at Bethlehem Evangelical Lutheran Church, Hortonville, Wisconsin with services officiated by Rev. Ralph Rosenberg. Friends will be received from 9:30 A.M. until the time of service. Military Rites will be conducted by American Legion Post 55. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Bethlehem Evangelical Lutheran Church in his name. The family wishes to thank all the very special ladies and gentlemen who cared for our father at Brewster Village, Homestead. These very special people worked many hours and spent so much extra time giving Dad that extra care during these past several agonizing weeks. Dad's pain is gone. Thank you also to Pastor Rosenberg for the countless times he came to be with Dad and especially on Dad's last moments with us. Thank You All.



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring John by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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