

Remembering the life of..

John Loyed Saurer, 94, of Fergus Falls, Minn. died on January 30, 2024 at the Fergus Falls Veterans Home.

He was born in Fergus Falls on September 22, 1929 to Antone and Irene Saurer. He was raised on a farm near Friberg Dam. Because his father was paralyzed, he was responsible for much of the farm operations. He spent his free time swimming and fishing with his four brothers.

In 1949, he joined the U.S. Army and fought in the Korean War. He served on the front lines as a corporal with the First Cavalry Division as a combat engineer. After returning home in 1952, he moved to South St. Paul and worked for Armor Dial meat packing plant.

In 1962, he married Georgia Benhardus. A year later, he purchased a farm near Elizabeth, where he and his children spent summer vacations. In 1972, he took a company transfer and moved his family to Fort Madison, IA. He took an early retirement in 1983, moving his family back to his parents' farm.

In 2014, he moved to Mill Street Residence and later the Fergus Falls Veterans Home.

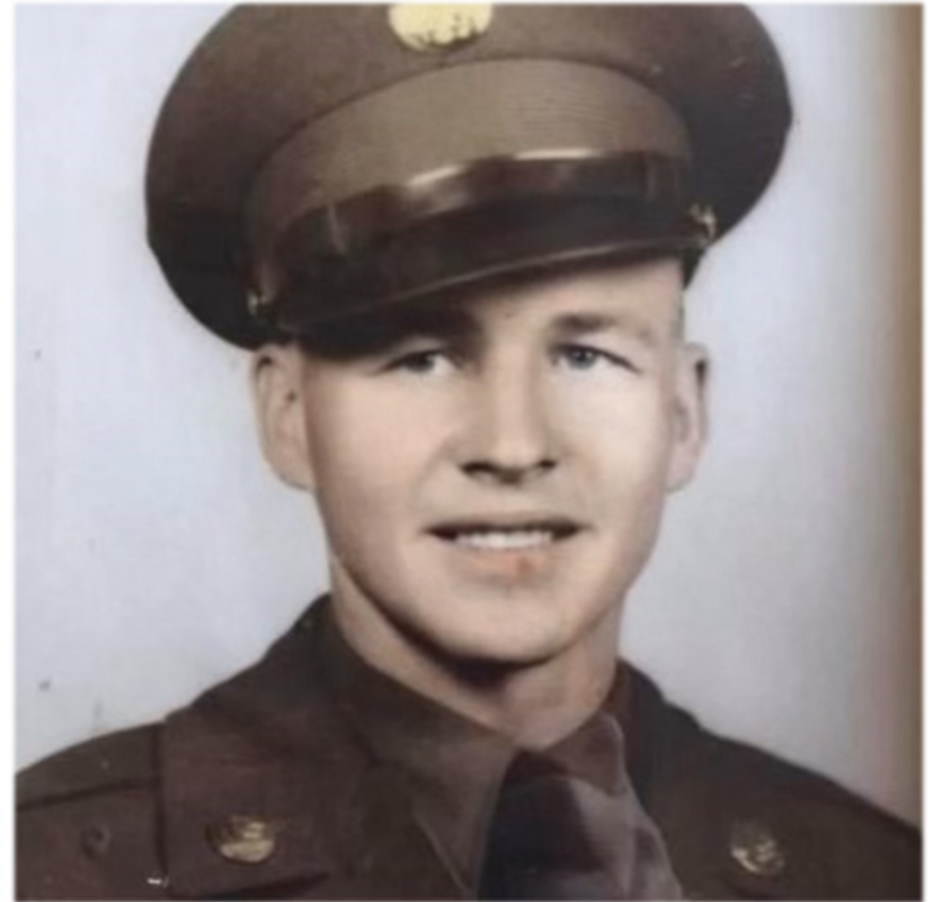
He enjoyed traveling out West, fishing, spending time on the farm, drawing pictures, watching classic TV shows with his grandchildren, and eating Little Debbie snack cakes.

He was preceded in death by brothers James, Donald, and David.

He is survived by his brother, Tom (Lyla); his children, Mark (Magda), John Jr. (Linda), Jennifer, and Matthew (Angela), as well as 11 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Blessed be the memory of John Saurer

In Loving Memory of



John L. Saurer

September 22, 1929 ~ January 30, 2024

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MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL

11:00 a.m. Wednesday, February 7, 2024
St. Elizabeth Catholic Church
Elizabeth, Minnesota

CLERGY

Father Alan Wielinski

READER

Georgia Anderson

SERVER

Joel Myhre

MUSIC

Mackenzie Maly ~ Musician

"I'll Raise You Up"

By Josh Groban

Recorded Selections

"Amazing Grace"

"How Great Thou Art"

"Wind Beneath My Wings"

MILITARY PARTICIPATION

Fergus Falls American Legion Post 30 and VFW Post 612

INTERMENT

St. Elizabeth Catholic Cemetery
Elizabeth, Minnesota

APPRECIATION

We gratefully acknowledge your attendance and many kind expressions of sympathy during our time of loss.

Please join us for lunch following the service.

~ *The family of John Saurer*

I'M FREE

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God laid for me.

I took His hand when I heard Him call

I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day
to laugh, to love, to work or play.

Tasks left undone must stay that way.
I found that place at the close of the day.

If my parting has left a void

Then fill it with remembered joy.

A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,

Oh yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow.

I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.

My life's been full, I savored much,

Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seems all too brief;

Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.

Lift up your heart and share with me

God wanted me now, He set me free.

Author Unknown