



David Claus

September 17, 1917 - May 13, 2012

David W. Claus, 94, of Crystal Falls, MI, passed away on Sunday, May 13, 2012 at the Dickinson County Memorial Hospital.

David was born September 17, 1917 in Crystal Falls, son of the late Edward and Mary (Braun) Claus. He attended the Forest Park School System through the twelfth grade. In November of 1942, David joined the United States Army Air Force, serving in World War II. He eventually attained the rank of Sergeant and was honorably discharged from the Army in April of 1946.

On June 27, 1946, David married Ruth Amelia Combs in Kentucky. The two of them started their family in Crystal Falls and together raised 6 children on their dairy farm. David loved having animals of all types and had a love for farming. Eventually, he went to work at Grede Foundry as a forklift operator, retiring in 1979. His interests that he enjoyed immensely were gardening, hunting, fishing, berry picking, and "tinkering" with machinery. He also enjoyed spending time with family and friends, sharing stories from his 94 years. David was a member of the American Legion Louis-Bowman Post #87. He will be missed by all who knew him.

In addition to his parents, David was preceded in death by his brother, Donald (Rena) Claus and his sisters, Emma(Hugo)Riverside and Clara Bruce.

David is survived by his loving wife of nearly 66 years, Ruth; sons, David (Deb) Claus of Urbana, IA and Michael Claus of Crystal Falls; daughters, Betty (Gerald) Anderson of Traer, IA, Rose Claus, Lillian (Ronald) Anderson and Sally (Dale) Wiencek, all of Crystal Falls; brother-in-law, Oliver Bruce of Crystal Falls and sister-in-law Mary (Eugene)Flippo of Mount Airy, MD. He is further survived by 19 grandchildren, 37 great-grandchildren, 3 great-great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Private family services will be held at a later date.

Condolences to the family of David Claus may be expressed online at www.nashfuneralhome.net .

The family has entrusted the Nash Funeral Home of Crystal Falls with the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

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“ Sorry to heard about your dad. He was a very nice person, he will be missed.

Nick & Jean LaChapelle - Crystal Falls, MI - friend - May 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ Sorry for your loss, I know you will be missing him.

Mike Manfrom - Iron River, MI - May 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ We wanted to let you know that you have our deepest sympathy, and our hearts are truly saddened.

Your in our prayers,
Jim and lone Condon

Jim and lone Condon - Crystal Falls, MI - Friends - May 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM