

August Mertens

Memorial Service: 11am Saturday October 26, 2019
Holy Family Catholic Church-Stanley
Visitation: 10am Saturday at the Church



August W. Mertens, 94 of Stanley, passed away peacefully on Tuesday October 8, 2019 at Oakbrook Health and Rehabilitation in Thorp, WI. Augie was born on January 5, 1925 to the late Peter and Elva (Kelch) Mertens in Withee. He graduated from Withee High School in 1943 and served briefly in the Army. He married Molly Makovec on June 17, 1950 at Holy Rosary Catholic Church in Owen. They settled on a farm north of Stanley and in his later years Augie lived at The Homeplace Assisted Living in Stanley. Augie had a 46 year career as a milk hauler starting at the age of 16 with his brother and bought his own route at age 19. He worked long hours with few days off but still loved his job hauling for over 200 different farms from 10 different counties. He also drove school bus for many years and after retirement he worked part-time driving for his sons. After retirement Augie proudly served on the Stanley- Boyd school board for 12 years, was active on the Yellowstone Trail project and was a member of the Knights of Columbus. He enjoyed spending time with his family, traveling, playing cards, and reminiscing with friends.

He could light up the room with his warm smile.

Survivors left to cherish his memory include his wife Molly; seven children:

Linda Miller of Eau Claire, Virginia (Dave) Kaeding of Ham Lake, MN,
Michael (Liz) Mertens of Stanley, Bob Mertens (Doris Durst) of Chippewa Falls,
Sharon (Dan) Belongia of Menomonee Falls, Mary (Jerry) Jacks of Thorp,

Tom (Diane) Mertens of Eau Claire; 15 grandchildren:

Matt Miller (Nicole Brannigan), Natalie Miller, Tina (Kevin) Peach, Jon (Amanda) Mertens,
Dan (Melissa) Mertens, Holly (Kyle) Thorpe, January Jacks, Kevin (Tracey) Jacks,
Jeff Jacks, Lyndsey Jacks, Marty (Marissa) Mertens, Nicky (Brian) Jaeger, Susan Mertens,
Paul Mertens (Emily Eliyahu), and Steve Mertens (Izzy Broad); 17 great grandchildren and
one brother Ken of McFarland.

He is preceded in death by his brothers Joe, Peter and Gene, sister Ellen Miller,
and granddaughter Michelle Koepl.

A memorial mass will take place at 11am on Saturday, October 26, 2019
at Holy Family Catholic Church in Stanley with Father William Felix officiating.

Burial will follow in Holy Family Catholic Cemetery.

Rosary will be said at 9:45am followed by visitation at the church from 10am until the time of service.

Plombon Funeral Service is assisting the family with arrangements.

*Augie's family would like to express a heartfelt thank you to the staff and caregivers
at The Homeplace of Stanley, Oakbrook Health and Rehab in Thorp and
St. Croix Hospice Services for their excellent and compassionate care.*