



Hilmar J. Denu

September 20, 1927 - July 31, 2019

Hilmar J. Denu, age 91 of Dubois, Indiana, passed away at 7:50 a.m. CST, on Wednesday, July 31, 2019 at Walnut Creek Alzheimer's Special Care Unit in Evansville, IN.

Hilmar was born in Dubois, Indiana on September 20, 1927 to Anthony Sr. and Cecelia (Hentrup) Denu. He married his wife of 67 years, Rosemary "Rosie" Pieper on September 1, 1951 in St. Celestine Catholic Church. She preceded him in death on December 15, 2018.

Mr. Denu was a 1945 graduate of Dubois High School. He was a U.S. Army veteran who served during WWII, and a member of the VFW Post #673 and the American Legion Post #147.

He was a member of St. Isidore Parish - St. Raphael Campus, the Jasper Knights of Columbus, St. Vincent de Paul, Dubois Jaycees and the Dubois Community Club. He was a member of the Young Democrats, served as a County Commissioner from 1960-1975 and a Precinct #1 Committeeman for 21 years for Columbia Township. He worked for Wabash Valley Produce as a Poultry Service Manager and retired after 49 years of service.

Surviving are five children, Sharon Pizzato (Allan), Birmingham, AL, twins Diane Knies (Bernie) of Celestine and Daniel Denu (Cheryl) of Jasper, Alice

Schitter (Rick), Ireland, and Nancy Mendel (Patrick), Ireland, 17 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren.

He was the last surviving member of his family. Preceding him in death was his wife, Rosie Denu, one brother, Anthony Denu Jr, three half-sisters, Matilda (Denu) Sullivan, Evelyn (Denu) Bauer, and Leona (Terwiske) Howell, and seven half-brothers, Leo J, Albert, Emil and Gilbert Denu and Odillo, Ralph and Joe Terwiske.

A Mass of Christian Burial for Hilmar J. Denu will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, August 5, 2019 at St. Raphael Catholic Church in Dubois, Indiana with burial to follow in the church cemetery. The VFW Post #673 will conduct military gravesite rites.

A visitation will be held from 11:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 4, 2019 at the Becher-Kluesner North Chapel in Jasper, IN. The St. Isidore Parish will pray the rosary at 10:45 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Isidore Parish, the Dubois County Museum, Dubois Ruritan Club Community Center Endowment, or a favorite charity.

Online condolences may be made at www.becherkluesner.com

Cemetery Details

St. Raphael Church Cemetery

5564 E. St. Raphael Street
Dubois, IN 47527

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 4. 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Becher & Kluesner Funeral Home - North
3221 N. Newton Street
Jasper, IN 47546
(812) 482-4141
email@becherkluesner.com

Mass of Christian Burial

AUG 5. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Raphael's Catholic Church
Dubois, IN

Tribute Wall



“ *Hilmar J. Denu*

January 01, 2023 at 10:54 AM



“ *I was never really close to Hilmar, but during my teaching years at NE. Dubois, I always had the greatest respect for him. Of all the times I was around him, he Always had a smile and a Great Attitude. Prayers for the family. The community lost a dear friend.*

Allan Bradley - August 09, 2019 at 08:41 AM