Linus J. "Spitz" Knebel

August 3, 1923 - February 12, 2017

Dateline Jasper, IN

Linus J. "Spitz" Knebel, age 93 of Jasper, IN, passed away at 1:08 a.m. on Sunday, February 12, 2017 at the home of his daughter.

Linus was born in Jasper, IN, on August 3, 1923 to Frank and Helen (Betz) Knebel. He married Edna Kunkler on April 17, 1948 in St. Anthony Catholic Church.

He was a WWII Navy Veteran who served in the Pacific Theater from 1942 to 1946. He was a lifetime member of the VFW Post #673.

Linus was a long time employee of the City of Jasper, working for the Power Plant for 13 years and for the Parks Department for over 10 years. He also owned and operated Knebel's Lawn Service.

He was a member of Holy Family Catholic Church in Jasper.

He loved to garden, hunting, fishing, was a an avid fan of Jasper High School Sports and professional sports.

Surviving is his wife; Edna Knebel, five daughters; Ruth Knebel, Shirley Harter

(Jeff), Bonnie Young (Greg), Mary Weyer (Don) and Pam Hughes (Ralph), all of Jasper, five sons; Edward Knebel (Anna), Terry Knebel (Lannette), Gerry Knebel (Corma), Fred Knebel (Lisa) all of Jasper, and Jeff Knebel (Teresa) of Haysville, Twenty grandchildren, many great-grandchildren, two sisters; Tillie Jessup (Dale) of Indianapolis, Mary Ann Hunter (Frank), Tampa, FL.

Preceding him in death were two sons, Donald and Charles Knebel, three sisters; Hilda Hauser, Elanora Volz, and Roselle Mac Farlane, five brothers; Clemens, Sylvester, Leo, Carl, and Edward Knebel, two sisters who died in infancy; Thresia and Mary Knebel, and one grandson; Kevin Knebel.

A Mass of Christian Burial for Linus J. Knebel will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, February 15, 2017 at Holy Family Catholic Church in Jasper, with burial to follow in Fairview Cemetery in Jasper. The Jasper VFW Post #673 will conduct military gravesite rites.

A visitation will be held from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 14, 2017 at the Becher-Kluesner Downtown Chapel in Jasper, IN, and one hour before services at the church on Wednesday.

Memorial contributions may be made to Holy Family Church or to a favorite charity.

Condolences may be made at www.becherkluesner.com.

Cemetery Details

Fairview Cemetery

1020 Kundek Street
Jasper, IN 47546

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **14**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Becher & Kluesner Funeral Home - Downtown
214 East 7th Street
Jasper, IN 47546
(812) 482-4141
email@becherkluesner.com

Visitation

FEB **15**. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

Holy Family Catholic Church
950 Church Ave
Jasper, IN

Mass of Christian Burial

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Tribute Wall

Linus J. "Spitz" Knebel

January 01, 2023 at 10:54 AM

JB

My "sympathy "to you Shirley and the rest of your family....

Jane Bell - February 14, 2017 at 06:21 PM

My fondest memories are the MANY car rides to all the Jasper Football games in the 80s. He was such an avid fan and enjoyed every win. But the best was when we surprised him with a trip to watch his beloved Steelers play his second favorite Colts. The only professional football game he ever saw live.

Ralph Hughes - February 14, 2017 at 06:25 AM

Carol Eberhard

Uncle Spitz, his visits to Arkansas to visit were always a highlight. I will always remember that boisterous laugh! I so enjoyed sharing hunting and fishing stories with him.

Carol Eberhard - February 13, 2017 at 01:57 PM

BM

Him scaring the shit out of me and my sister by leaving us alone, in the woods, in the winter time, back by that old cave, snow covered. Then to hear him bellow out the loudest laugh, and step out from behind a tree! One of my favorite memories. And dumpster diving. And grandpa riding a pig.

Blake monroe - February 13, 2017 at 06:20 AM

JF

Omg, I rode a pig at Grandpa's when I was little. Of course I got thrown off in the poop.

Julie Farrell - February 13, 2017 at 04:55 PM

M(

Uncle Spitz brought his wife and kids to Arkansas to see his brother Leo and his family. I am Leo's youngest daughter and his visits are memories I cherish.....dearly.

Monna Floyd (Knebel) - February 12, 2017 at 10:25 PM

CN

So sorry for your loss. Spitz was a great guy. I remember when he did our yard when we built our house. Such a perfectionist and he did a great job. Prayers coming your way

Cindy & Keith Nicholson - February 12, 2017 at 05:44 PM

CE

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Carol Eberhard - February 13, 2017 at 08:23 AM

JS

A fond memory of a Man that influenced my life. Of a time that brought laughter,,,and tears. A time that offered friendship and belonging. The years that were afforded to me brought many laughs with this Man. His humor went a long way for a long time. Many, Many years of card games, horseshoes and Family get togethers. He was a Pillar that deserved Respect and though he is gone now,,,time again reminds me that the Respect I had for him was worthy for a time,,in calling him Dad.

Joseph Schlachter - March 16, 2017 at 11:01 PM