

John Sr

Bethalto | Saturday, February 8 2014

John B. Woelfel Sr., age 92, went to be with the Lord at 11:57 a.m. on Saturday, February 8, 2014 at St. Anthony's Health Center in Alton with his family by his side.

He was born on December 25, 1921 in Hardin, IL, the son of the late John & Clara (Tepen) Woelfel.



He married Margaret E. (Hillen) on July 5, 1947 in Meppen, IL at St. Joseph's Church. They celebrated 60 years of marriage. She preceded him in death on October 18, 2007.

John served his country in the U.S. Navy during WWII on the mighty Vincennes. He was employed at Owens IL Glass in the sheet metal department for 37 years retiring in 1982. He was a member of Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church in Bethalto, the Cottage Hills VFW Post 7678, the Bethalto Knights of Columbus # 4688 where he was 3 rd degree Knight, very active in the Bethalto Senior Citizens and a former member of the St. Vincent DePaul Society. Most of all, his greatest joy was spending time with his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

He is survived by his six children and their spouses, David Woelfel of Edwardsville, Don & Brenda Woelfel of Bethalto, Jack & Susan Woelfel of Bethalto, Dorothy & Scott Kenny of St. Charles, MO, Susan Gray of Bethalto and Jane Middleton of Bethalto; 17 grandchildren; 7 great grandchildren; 1 sister, Agnes Klunk of Michael, IL and 2 brothers and sister-in-law, Steve Woelfel and Bernard & Eunice Woelfel both of Michael, IL.

He was preceded in death by his parents, wife Margaret, a sister Marie Woelfel, brothers and sisters-in-law, Hubert & Gertrude Woelfel, Bill & Helen Woelfel, Charles & Elfrieda Woelfel, one sister-in-law, Lois Woelfel and one brother-in-law, Ed Klunk.

Visitation will be from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 11, 2014 at Elias, Kallal and Schaaf Funeral Home in Bethalto.

A funeral mass will be held at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, February 12, 2014 at Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church in Bethalto with Father Tom Liebler officiating.

Burial will follow at Rose Lawn Memory Gardens Cemetery in Bethalto with full military rites being preformed by the Alton VFW Post 1308.

Memorials may be made to the Our Lady Queen of Peace School or Masses and or Bethalto Care Center Activity Department.

Online condolence and guestbook may be found at www.eliaskallalandschaaf.com