



Robert "Bob" Draege

June 16, 1926 - August 17, 2019

Robert "Bob" Draege, 93, of Mt. Vernon, passed away Saturday, August 17, 2019, at his home.

He was born June 16, 1926, in Mt. Vernon, the son of Gus and Bertha (Sorenson) Draege. On November 26, 1949, in Mt. Vernon, he married Jean Hawkins, and she preceded him in death on January 29, 2010.

Mr. Draege served in the United States Army during World War II, serving in the Philippines and Japan, and was very proud to have served. He was a member of Boyd Christian Church, Operating Engineers Local 520, and was a former Jefferson County Board member. He was a farmer in Jefferson County until he was 62 years old, then worked in timber and logging until his retirement at age 85.

He is survived by two daughters, Brenda Randall and husband Dale of Mt. Vernon, and Dessie Staley and husband J.R. of Mt. Vernon; one daughter-in-law, Kathy Draege of Vandalia; seven grandchildren, Robert Staley, Emalie Babb and husband Shannon, Michael Meyer and wife Brandi, Aaron Draege and special friend Morgan, Jake Draege and wife Emily, Colton Draege and wife Paityn, and Gigi Rice; and eight great-grandchildren, Finnlee and Rennlee Babb, Braden, Katie, Emma, Ella, and soon-to-arrive baby Oliver Meyer, and Miller Anthony Draege.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Jean Draege; one son, Tony Draege; and two sisters and brothers-in-law, Bernice Breeze and her husband Verne, and Nelda Eater and her husband Marlon.

Funeral services for Mr. Draege will be held at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, August 22, 2019, at Boyd Christian Church, with Joe Jones officiating. Burial will follow at Boyd Cemetery. A Visitation will be held Wednesday, August 21, 2019, from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m., at Osborn Funeral Home in Dix. In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be made to the Boyd Christian Church and will be accepted at the service, or by mail to Osborn Funeral Home, P.O. Box 130, Dix, Illinois 62830. Online condolences may be made at www.osbornfuneral.com, or on the funeral home's Facebook page.

Cemetery Details

Boyd Cemetery

Dix, IL 62830

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 21. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Osborn Funeral Home
322 North Main Street
Dix, IL 62830
(618) 266-7231
office@osbornfuneral.com
<https://www.osbornfuneral.com>

Service

AUG 22. 11:00 AM (CT)

Boyd Christian Church
19844 N Boyd Ln
Dix, IL 62830-3418
(618) 735-2804

Tribute Wall



“ Osborn Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Robert "Bob" Draege



Osborn Funeral Home - August 20, 2019 at 11:28 AM

HK

“ We were so sad to learn of Bob's death. We just talked to him at the Little Red Barn at Wayne City a couple of weeks ago. We noticed that he was carrying oxygen but he was his usual jolly self. We got to know him several years ago when we sold him some timber. He was great to do business with then and it's always been a pleasure to see him every time we met since then. He and his sister, Bernice, have been 2 of our favorite people. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of your family..
Don & Harriett Koch

Harriett Koch - August 21, 2019 at 02:26 PM

MC

“ Brenda & Dessie:
So sorry to hear about the loss of your dad, Bob!! He was a wonderful man. All of you will be in our thoughts and prayers.
Bill and Marilyn Chesnek

Marilyn Chesnek - August 21, 2019 at 11:22 AM



“ 36 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Osborn Funeral Home - August 20, 2019 at 11:24 AM

JC

“ *My deepest sympathies for all that are left behind. Bob was a great friend and an honest man. We had many pleasurable hours of conversations in his home in these past many years. I too will miss him, but am confident he is in the best hands of our Lord Jesus, and together with his wife Jean and son Tony in heaven Bob will be in the final rest.*

Jim Clites

Jim Clites - August 19, 2019 at 06:58 PM

BC

“ *Dessie, Think of you often and want you to know you are in my thoughts and prayers in the loss of you Dad.* 🙏💕

Becky Clark - August 19, 2019 at 04:57 PM

BC

“ *Bob and Sandy Niemeyer CCR purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Robert "Bob" Draege.*



Bob and Sandy Niemeyer CCR - August 19, 2019 at 11:32 AM

RN

“ *With our deepest sympathy for this loving family , may you all find comfort and peace in the days ahead . Bob and Sandy Niemeyer CCR .*



Robert Niemeyer - August 19, 2019 at 11:15 AM

JH

“ *Dessie, very sorry to see your Dad,s passing. We lift you and your family up in prayers. Love and miss you. Jeff and Sharon Humm*

Jeff Sharon Humm - August 19, 2019 at 10:53 AM

CF

“ *Sending all our love and prayers from Norfolk Lake*
Chris, Joe, Dana, Tanner and Mandi

Chris Fink - August 19, 2019 at 09:33 AM

TH

“ *Deepest sympathies for your family.*
Terry Hayes



Terry Hayes - August 19, 2019 at 08:16 AM