



Franklin H. Van Hovel

December 4, 1919 - June 23, 2018

Franklin “Chief” H. Van Hovel, 98, of Kankakee passed away on Saturday, June 23, 2018 at his home. He was born on December 4, 1919 in Crescent City, the son of Frank and Johanna (Lauterbach) Van Hovel. Franklin married Mary Cushman on August 30, 1945 in Schwer. She preceded him in death on January 27, 2008.

Franklin was a farmer in the Milford area until the 1960’s, then worked at General Foods. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, taking care of his yard and spending time with his family and grandchildren. Franklin was a fan of Detroit sports teams.

He is survived by his two sons and daughters-in-law Michael and Sharon Van Hovel of Watseka and Jim and Dianne Van Hovel of Momence; two daughters and one son-in-law Jodie and Roger Forbes of Kankakee and Nancy Andrews of Vancouver, WA; nine grandchildren and fourteen great-grandchildren. He was also survived by his sister-in-law Nancy (Dennis) Rabe of Bourbonnais and a special cousin Dennis Van Hovel.

Along with his wife, he was preceded in death by his parents, one sister Christine, one brother Alvin, brother-in-law Don (Dolores) Cushman, son-in-law William Andrews and a great-granddaughter Gracie Jane Forbes.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, June 27, 2018 at 10am until the 11am funeral service at St. John Lutheran Church in Schwer. Burial will immediately follow at St. John Lutheran Cemetery in Schwer. The Rev. Steven Jensen will officiate. Memorials may be made to St. John Lutheran Church in Schwer or

Hospice of Kankakee Valley.

Cemetery Details

St. John Lutheran Cemetery

Schwer, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 27. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. John Lutheran Church
Schwer, IL

Funeral Service

JUN 27. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. John Lutheran Church
Schwer, IL

Tribute Wall

PW

“ So sorry for your loss, you have my deepest sympathy, for saying goodbye,for now,to you Dad. Our prayers will continue as you mourn the loss of a dear loved one. So Sorry I could not make it to Milford, but my thoughts are with you! Love you Jodie! ~ Pam Wymore

Pam Wymore - June 26, 2018 at 05:01 PM

JN

“ Sending prayers of peace for the family. Our deepest sympathies are sent to you.

Love, Mike and Joan



Joan and Mike Nelson - June 26, 2018 at 01:37 PM

JB

“ My thoughts are with the family. Deepest sympathy.

Jackie Bournique - June 26, 2018 at 11:35 AM

PL

“ Paula Lezotte lit a candle in memory of Franklin H. Van Hoveln



Paula Lezotte - June 26, 2018 at 11:22 AM

CG

“ So sorry for your loss. Prayers to the family !



Carl Gerdovich - June 25, 2018 at 04:05 PM