



Robert Whittemore

February 22, 1913 - October 6, 2005

Robert Whittemore -- Kankakee Robert L. Whittemore, 92, of Kankakee, died Thursday (Oct. 6, 2005) due to injuries sustained in an automobile accident. There will be no visitation or services. Cremation rites will be accorded. Arrangements are by the Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home, west Kankakee. He was born Feb. 22, 1913, to Hiram and Kathryn Durham Whittemore. He was a retired farmer. In his spare time he golfed, played bridge and bowled. He scored two holes-in-one and at the age of 85, he shot his age twice. Mr. Whittemore named and co-founded the Exline Sportsman's Club and served as president for several years. He recently received recognition for being a 70-year member of Asbury United Methodist Church in Kankakee. He served in the U.S. Army Air Force during World War II as an engineer on B-52 fighter planes. He was stationed in Africa and England during the war. After the war he returned to Kankakee where he farmed his family farm and raised a family with his wife of 60 years, the former Bernice Wisner. He is survived by his wife; four children and their spouses, Martha and Richard Melman of Winnetka, John and Laurie Whittemore, Mark and Cheryl Whittemore, all of Momence, Kay and Kevin McLaren of St. Anne; and 10 grandchildren, RJ, Amie, Jerrod, Matthew, Meghan, Molly, Kelsey, Michael, Carly and Bobby. He was preceded in death by his parents and three siblings, Edwin, Elizabeth and Hiram. He would claim his key to longevity was avoiding vegetables that were green and started with the letter "B." He loved his wife Bea's legendary pies, jellied chicken and poached egg on toast. He loved

Chicago sports, especially the Cubs and the Sox. He also was a fan of the Kankakee High School sports program. He lived a life of honor and quiet grace. He never raised his voice in anger and approached the world with a sharp wit and an open mind. His favorite adages were "Buy low and sell high," and "A job begun is a job half done." He will be dearly missed.

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“ Sorry to here about Bob he was a good i;½man, friend and neighbor. i;½##imported-begin##Mike Gerry Wolfer##imported-end##

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“ We are truly sorry to hear of your loss. Such a tragic end to the life of a wonderful man. We wish to express our deepest sympathy to all of the family. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Paul says that it was a privilege to have known Bob.##imported-begin##Paul and Marie Schmidt##imported-end##

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“ Nothing can take away your pain, but please know that you and your family are in our prayers!##imported-begin##Jim and Carol Wasser##imported-end##

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“ We are shocked and deeply saddened to hear of Bob's death. Though we'd only had the privilege of one visit with Bob and Bernice, we were so impressed by what delightful and loving people you are. We pray that the love your family obviously has for each other will be your comfort and strength now and in the future as well. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family and will continue to be. ##imported-begin##Bill and Mary Langellier##imported-end##

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“ Both mother and myself are so sorry for your tragic loss. We want to lift you in prayer for comfort and strength to meet the upcoming decision. My husband and I came upon the accident sight after the incident and could possibly survive - we are so pleased to hear Martha did in fact survive through times like this!

I love you,

I love you,

I love you,

Schreffler##imported-begin##Mary Schreffler Grimes##imported-end##

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“ WE JUST HEARD ABOUT BOB'S UNTIMELY

PASSING AND WANT YOU TO KNOW

OUR THOUGHTS ARE WITH YOU

MOST SINCERELY,

DEEDEE & BRUCE.##imported-begin##DEEDEE/BRUCE BLACK##imported-end##

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“ I am saddened by the passing of your Father.##imported-begin##Michael Perlow##imported-end##

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“ Our deepest sympathy on the loss of Bob. i;½Our thoughts and prayers are with your family.##imported-begin##Robert and Shirley Gool##imported-end##

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“ Know that our thoughts,prayers,and love are with you at this time.

Sundance Therapy Dept/ Heritage Village

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