Arlo Zepper, 96 of Perham, MN passed away Sunday, October 15, 2023 at Perham Living.

Arlo Leslie Zepper was born June 25, 1927 in Corliss Township to Henry and Clara (Quittschreiber) Zepper. He grew up on the family farm attending the local country school with his sister and a collection of neighbor farm kids.

Arlo was in the U.S. Army from 1945-1947 with most of this time spent on islands and ships in the South Pacific doing cleanup work after the war.

After his military service, he returned to the farm and worked in partnership with his parents.

Arlo married Virginia Baumgart on July 23, 1952 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church of Evergreen. Together they raised four children and developed their dairy farm.

Arlo dedicated his life to building the farm and providing for his family. He started with literally just a few cows and built it into a beautiful dairy farm. He worked tirelessly from early morning until evening seven days a week, even cutting down the trees that would be cut up and built into the dairy barn.

There had to be days where he was sick or frustrated, but he never let that hamper his get-to-work attitude or keep him from taking a moment to pet the dog or the many cats that were always running about. Arlo was a patient man.

Being a lifelong member of the Corliss Lutheran Church, he rarely missed a Sunday service. He personified his German heritage by valuing work, family, and church.

Arlo and Virgie retired to their lake home in 2002 on Marion Lake, making a new group of friends there.

After Virgie's death in 2018, Arlo moved to St. James Manor in Perham and again made another group of friends.

Arlo lived to be the oldest member of his extended family and oldest member of the Corliss congregation. He will be sadly missed by family and friends.

Surviving Arlo are his children Susan Truitt, Gene (Arlys) Zepper, Gail (Doug) Sundberg, and Tim (Cary) Zepper; his grandchildren Jason (Rachel) Truitt, Melissa (Casey) Cox, Amber (Larissa) Zepper, Nicole (Carleton) Hanson, Patrick (Sara) Sundberg, Matthew (Devon) Sundberg, and Rhett (Missy) Zepper; ten great-grandchildren; his sister Bernice Lubitz; and brother-in-law Dennis Schwarzrock.

Preceding Arlo in death were his parents; his wife Virginia; son-in-law Earl Truitt; sisters-in-law Alice Baumgart, Mildred Baumgart, Mae Schultz, and Jeanette Schwarzrock; and brothers-in-law Elmer Lubitz and Elmer Schultz.

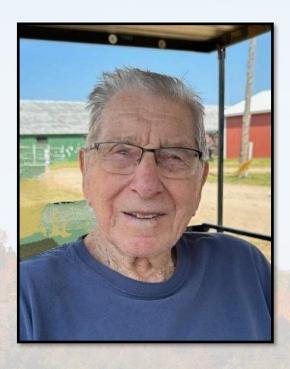






Arlo Leslie Zepper

June 25, 1927 ~ October 15, 2023





#### **Memorial Service**

Tuesday, October 24, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. St. John's Lutheran Church Corliss Township, Minnesota

### Officiant

Pastor Justin Whitmore

## Songs

"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"

"Thine Forever, God of Love"

"How Great Thou Art"

"I know That My Redeemer Lives"

# Readings

Lamentations 3:19-24, 1 Corinthians 15:50-57 John 8:28-32

## Honorary Urn Bearers

Jason Truitt - Amber Zepper - Patrick Sundberg Melissa Cox - Matthew Sundberg - Nicole Hanson Rhett Zepper

### Interment

St. John's Lutheran Cemetery Corliss Township, Minnesota