

On Saturday, July 29, 2023, Paul Joseph Grismer, age 93, passed away peacefully at Perham Living, Perham, MN, where he resided for 11 years.

Paul was born May 19, 1930 to John Baptist and Olga (Butler) Grismer. On August 1, 1953 he was united in marriage to the love of his life, Linette Atkinson. In their 68 years of marriage, they raised seven children: Susan, Evonne, Lee, Larry, Mary, Angela, and James.

Growing up, Paul was the second youngest of 12 children. After high school, he spent time working on the family farm and helping his father with the Grismer Gravel Pit. He later joined the US Army during the Korean War and was stationed in California and Alaska. He then went on to work at Land O'Lakes in Perham followed by managing the Perham Liquor Store while also driving school bus for Bauck Busing for 40 years.

His pride and joy were his grandkids. He loved spending time with them and also meticulously keeping up his lawn. Paul enjoyed deer hunting with his good buddies every year, loved entertaining with friends, and telling his endless jokes. Paul will always be remembered for his amazing bear hugs and strong handshakes.

Surviving Paul are his six children: Susan of Perham, Evonne of Moorhead, Lee (Lori) of Perham, Larry of Perham, Angela of Ventura, CA, and James of Plymouth, MN; 13 grandchildren; and 24 great-grandchildren.

Preceding Paul in death were his parents; his beloved wife Linette; daughter Mary Aitken; son-in-law John Ogroske; and his 11 siblings, as he was the last remaining child of John and Olga Grismer.

We are thankful for you Dad and your dedication as a father and grandfather. We love you endlessly and will always have a special place in our hearts for you.



I N L O V I N G
Memory



Paul Joseph Grismer

May 19, 1930 - July 29, 2023

As I Sit In Heaven

and watch you everyday,
I try to let you know with signs
I never went away.

I hear you when you're laughing,
and watch you as you sleep,
I even place my arms around you
to calm you as you weep.

I see you wish the days away,
begging to have me home,
so I try to send you signs,
so you know you are not alone.

Don't feel guilty that you have
life that was denied to me,
Heaven is truly beautiful,
just you wait and see.

So live life, laugh again,
enjoy yourself, be free.

Then I know with every breath you take
you'll be taking one for me.

-Author Unknown

Memorial Mass

Saturday, August 19, 2023 at 11:00 a.m.

St. Henry's Catholic Church

Perham, Minnesota

Officiants

Father Tom Skaja

Deacon Randy Altstadt

Musicians

Heidi Kalina

Gina Cavanagh

Hymns

"I Have Loved You"

"Prayer of St. Francis"

"On Eagle's Wings"

"How Great Thou Art"

Urn Bearer

Angela Grismer

Interment

St. Henry's Catholic Cemetery

Perham, Minnesota