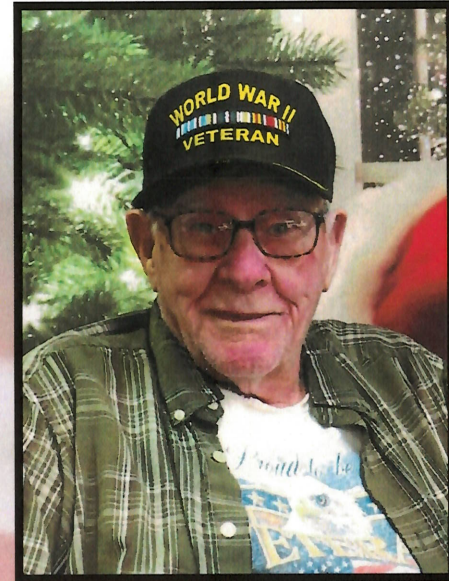


*If we live,
we live to the Lord,
and if we die,
we die to the Lord;
so then, whether we live or
whether we die,
we are the Lord's.
Romans 14:8*



IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Willard Wilson Dunn

GRAVESIDE SERVICE

Wednesday, July 27, 2022 - 10:30 a.m.
Scambler Cemetery
Rural Pelican Rapids, Minnesota

CLERGY

Pastor Eric Schwirian

MILITARY HONORS

American Legion Post #17
Pelican Rapids V.F.W. Post #5252

Willard's family gratefully acknowledges your attendance and many kind expressions of sympathy during their time of loss.

REMEMBERING THE LIFE OF...

Willard Wilson Dunn, age 96, passed away Wednesday morning, January 6, 2022, at the Fergus Falls Minnesota Veterans Home. He would have celebrated his 97th birthday January 21.

Dunn was born to a Minnesota pioneering family - Dolphy John and Elsie Mae Dunn on January 21, 1925, in what would later become Dunvilla. Willard was the fifth of six children, and outlived all his siblings: Dorothy, Harold, Ferne, Dennis, and Clifford.

Willard attended a one room school in Scambler township and resided on the family farm until he, like so many in his generation, joined the military. He served honorably in World War II, being assigned to Germany where he witnessed a great amount of devastation and death. When asked about his time there pulled back from wanting to discuss it, saying the things he saw at Auschwitz and other places during the war and post war clean up were too terrible to discuss.

Willard had just returned from World War II in Germany when his older sister Ferne (my Mother) passed away and his younger brother Clifford, following the family tradition of service to country, was about to leave for yet another war in Korea. Willard's father Dolphy and brother Clifford both passed away in 1963, his mother, Elsie passed away in 1944.

Willard had been an entrepreneur all his life. After leaving the army he founded a construction company with a cousin, Ray Ballard. At other times through his life, he started a turkey farm between Dent and Pelican Rapids, and later bought a semi-truck and did trucking throughout much of the country.

After retirement, he moved to Texas with his wife Ramona, to live with his great nephew, David Hanson, and family. After Ramona passed away from cancer, he later chose to return to his roots in Minnesota. He lived for several years in Pelican Rapids where he was a member of the VFW and the American Legion. In May 2016, he moved to Fergus Falls Minnesota Veterans Home. While there he had the privilege of being on an Honor Flight to Washington DC.

Willard took after his father in many ways, as he was mischievous throughout his life, loving to joke and play with everyone. When he was around, there was seldom a quiet moment. The workers at the Veterans Home enjoyed going into Willard's room to visit and listen to his jokes and stories.

Information taken from an article about the Dunn Family History, written by Willard's nephew Marlyn Hanson. Full article can be viewed on the Larson Funeral Home website.

Blessed Be The Memory Of Willard Wilson Dunn



In Honored Memory