



John A. Behrens

October 24, 1917 - February 18, 2017

John A. Behrens, 99 of Carroll, died Saturday, February 18, 2017 at St. Anthony Regional Hospital in Carroll.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m., Thursday, February 23, 2017 at St. Lawrence Catholic Church in Carroll. The Celebrant will be Fr. Craig Collison. Con-Celebrant will be Fr. Brian Feller. Music will be by Kate Cuddy and the St. Lawrence Choir. Lector for the funeral mass will be Dan Behrens. Gift Bearers will be John's daughters: Kathy Grote, Aggie Kitt, and Nancy Reiling. Eucharistic Minister will be Dave Wittrock. Casket Bearers will be John's sons: Cletus Behrens, Jerry Behrens, Gary Behrens, Wayne Behrens, Daryl Behrens, John E. Behrens, and Artie Behrens. Burial will be in Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Carroll.

Friends may call at the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll after 3 p.m. on Wednesday where there will be a rosary at 4 p.m. by the Carroll Knights of Columbus and a Christian Wake Service at 6 p.m.

The casket will be moved to St. Lawrence Church on Thursday morning where visitation will resume at 9:30 a.m. and will continue until time of the funeral mass.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll and online condolences may be left for John's family at www.sharpfune

ral.com.

John was born on October 24, 1917 at Roselle, Iowa, the son of John H. and Elizabeth (Sibbel) Behrens. He attended Holy Angels Catholic School, and was a member of Holy Angels Parish for over sixty-five years. Over the years John served on the Men's Club, and Knights of Columbus. John was a farmer for forty-two years and retired in Carroll in 1982.

John and Beatrice Wittrock were united in marriage on May 7, 1940 at St. Augustine Catholic Church in Halbur, Iowa. They were blessed with seventy-two years of marriage. John enjoyed farming, fishing, visiting family and friends, and helping neighbors. He also enjoyed the morning coffee buddies, playing rummy, and the weekly supper invites to the farm.

John is survived by seven sons, and three daughters: Cletus Behrens of Carroll, Jerry Behrens of Denison, Kathy (Walt) Grote of Wall Lake, Aggie (Jim) Kitt of Dedham, Gary (Sue) Behrens of Arnolds Park, Wayne Behrens of Denison, Daryl (Lynne) Behrens of Muscatine, Nancy (Paul) Reiling of Lake View, John E. (Lois) Behrens of Carroll, and Artie (Brenda) Behrens of Maquoketa; thirty-four grandchildren, sixty-nine great-grandchildren, and eight great-great grandchildren. Also surviving are sisters: Mary Ausman of Carroll, and Irene Brincks of Carroll; sisters-in-law: Mildred Sturm of Lake View, LaVerne Wittrock of Carroll, Darlene Wittrock of Halbur; brother-in-law: Earl (Vernell) Wittrock of Carroll.

John was preceded in death by his wife, Beatrice in 2012, grandson, John W. Behrens, daughters-in-law: Sandy Behrens, and June Behrens, his parents, his brothers: Lawrence (Justine) Behrens, and Joe (Juletta) Behrens, and a sister Louise Behrens.

Tribute Wall

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Bobenmoyer - March 03, 2017 at 01:32 PM

BF

R.I.P. Grandpa we love you and miss you. This ice sickle angel appeared in our yard on your way to be in heaven with Grandma, and other family and friends we have also lost. Love, Jay, Beth, Tyler and Brandon Bobenmoyer

Bobenmoyer Family - March 03, 2017 at 01:35 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of *John A. Behrens*.



February 22, 2017 at 10:27 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of *John A. Behrens*.



February 22, 2017 at 12:03 PM

WF

“ We are saddened to learn that you're mourning the loss of your dear love one. However, it saddens our God even more. No doubt, you have many fond memories which will resurface from time to time. And because you do have memories, certainly shows that almighty God has memories as well. Therefore, with full confidence you can take comfort in knowing that he longs to restore perfect life to all those in his memory (Job 14:13-15; Rev 21:3, 4). Please accept our condolences at this most distressing time.

Williams Family - February 22, 2017 at 05:51 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of John A. Behrens.



February 21, 2017 at 08:52 AM

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Tim Behrens - February 21, 2017 at 07:38 AM

TB

Fishing with grandpa and staying with grandma n grandpa on the farm.

Tim Behrens - February 21, 2017 at 08:44 AM

AD

“ *Even as an adult, I loved sitting on Grandpa's lap.* ”



Ann Behrens Stutzman (Gary's daughter) - February 20, 2017 at 05:58 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of John A. Behrens.* ”



February 20, 2017 at 04:43 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of John A. Behrens.* ”



February 20, 2017 at 03:40 PM



“ A great 4 generation picture of Behrens Men. We have been so blessed to have had such a great man as a Grandfather. I have so many fond memories. Especially all those summers we spent on the farm with Grandma and Grandpa! We are so loved!

I can see the smile on Grandpa and Grandmas face when they were reunited! So amazing!

Love you Grandpa!

Dan Behrens (Gary and Sue Behrens son)

Picture: Gary, his son Dan, his grandson Charlie and Grandpa/Great Grandpa Behrens



Daniel Behrens - February 20, 2017 at 10:56 AM

DK

“ Dad, all the extra time I spent with you is a precious memory to me, my family having a special 99th Birthday Party is a treasure for them, what are the boys going to do with all their fish if you don't help them eat them. We miss you and Mom and are happy you are with her. Love, Kay & Family



Daughter Kay - February 20, 2017 at 09:40 AM

BJ

“ Family of John Behrens - our hearts' prayer is that God will give comfort & peace all of JOHN'S family & friends & bind up your broken hearts .May you all find JESUS' love .
Berdell & Marilyn Jeschke

berdell & marilyn jeschke - February 20, 2017 at 09:39 AM

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Bobenmoyers - February 20, 2017 at 09:16 AM

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Thank you to all of the family, friends, neighbors and all the families on Mockingbird Dr that celebrated Halloween with Grandma and Grandpa. This was a special time and the family really enjoyed the fun memories. Jay, Beth, Tyler and Brandon Bobenmoyer

Bobenmoyers - February 20, 2017 at 09:20 AM

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BO

Thanks for the memories Grandpa. You and Grandma were the best Grandparents. We will miss you. Love, Jay, Beth, Tyler and Brandon Bobenmoyer

Bobenmoyers - February 20, 2017 at 09:11 AM

JR

Great picture Beth. Grandpa sure did love to go fishing and happy your boys spent the time with him doing what he loved.

Julie Robinson - February 20, 2017 at 10:30 AM

DC

“ Kathy and family, So sorry to hear of your dad's passing. Praying for all who knew and loved him. Dixie and Clint

Dixie & Clint - February 19, 2017 at 03:03 PM

PR

*“ So glad we went down to see him last week. He was feeling so good so we took him out for pie. He was my Dad.s best friend through school years and had lots of stories about them that we loved hearing about. We will really miss him.
Pete and Vickie*

Pete Renze - February 19, 2017 at 11:11 AM