



Bennie Wagner

July 16, 1930 - July 29, 2022

Bennie Wagner, 92, passed away on Friday, July 29, 2022 at the V.A. Medical Center in North Chicago. He was born July 16, 1930 in Spearfish, SD and had been a Lake Forest resident since 1947. Ben retired after 20 years of Military Service with the US Navy, serving as Chief Hospital Corpsman in Korea. Following his military career, he was the water plant operator for the City of Lake Forest and retired from the same at Fort Sheridan. He served at the Chosin Reservoir in North Korea and was a member of the Chosin Few. Ben had also been a 5 term president and very active member of the Knollwood Sportsman's Club and a member of the Lake Forest American Legion Post.

Surviving is his wife of 72 years, Carol Wagner, his son Michael (Julie) Wagner, 5 grandsons and 4 great granddaughters.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Millard and Sarah Wagner; his daughters, Jolene Wagner and Jody Stege and his sister, Marjorie Custis.

Visitation will begin at 10:30 am followed by a service at 12 Noon on Friday, Aug. 5, 2022 at the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home, 120 W. Park Ave. (Rt. 176, one block west of Milwaukee Ave.) Libertyville. Interment will military honors will follow at Lakeside Cemetery in Libertyville. Memorial contributions can be made to either Pancreatic Cancer (www.pancan.org) 15 Rosecrans Ave. #200, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266 or the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer

Foundation. Info: 847-362-3009 or please share a memory at www.burnettdane.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 5. 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Burnett-Dane Funeral Home
120 West Park Avenue
Libertyville, IL 60048
(847) 362-3009

Funeral Service

AUG 5. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Bennie was a classmate at Belle Fourche High School and attended our class reunions. We spent a lot of time together and I especially remember the Ford Model T which we used to ride around in. My parents were also friends of his parents. Lots of good times and pleasant memories with Bennie and we will miss him him at our 75th reunion coming up next year.



Victor L Fondy - October 19, 2022 at 05:52 PM

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“ First to Carol and the family, my condolences. I met Bennie about 15 years ago at the legion. He was also a member of the poker players group under Bob Pommer and later under John Davis and me. He was a very nice and kind man who I could always count on to help introduce a new member to the group. I have been incapacitated recently with my own issues but intended to go see him as soon as I was able. Both Bob Pommer and John Davis have preceded Ben in passing and I am the only one left. I look forward to the eternal poker game he will run in that special place where all good players go. Fair winds and following seas my friend. I miss you.

David Lee. Past Commander McKinlock Legion Post 264, Lake Forest

David Lee - August 05, 2022 at 09:43 AM

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“ *First off my condolences to his wife and family. Three years ago I met Ben aka Doc. He taught me all about Frozen Chosin. Doc always greeted me when I came to the V.A. greenhouse to visit my dad. He was a kind man and will be missed. Rest in peace Ben.*

Linda Rutter - August 04, 2022 at 05:13 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Bennie Wagner.*



August 04, 2022 at 10:11 AM

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“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Donna Paddock - August 04, 2022 at 06:06 AM

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“ *1 file added to the album Bennie Wagner*



Shari - August 03, 2022 at 02:33 PM