



Ralph William Drafall

January 22, 1922 - November 8, 2021

Ralph William Drafall, 99, of Huntley passed away Monday morning, Nov. 8, 2021, at his home surrounded by his family.

He was born January 22, 1922, on a farm in Algonquin, IL the son of Ernest and Freida (Rosenthal) Drafall. Ralph was a graduate of Dundee High School and proudly played on a state runner-up American Legion baseball team. He was a medic in the US Army, 14th Armored Division, serving in WWII's Battle of the Bulge, France and Germany. Ralph married the love of his life, Doris Borhart on Feb. 10, 1944, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Huntley where they were life-long active members. Ralph and Doris farmed in Huntley until 1979. He then worked for the Huntley School District until his retirement. His Christian faith has been a source of strength throughout his life. His interest in farming led to membership on American Milk Producers, Inc. (AMPI) boards and Farm Bureau councils. He and Doris served many years as election judges. He was a longtime member of the Huntley American Legion, and enjoyed his friendship with the Huntley Senior Citizen Group. His favorite times were family celebrations and get-togethers, and also traveling to Army reunions throughout the United States. Ralph was a lifelong Cubs fan and enjoyed Culver's.

He is survived by his 9 children, Juanita (Joseph) Rottmann of Danville, Judy (Tuck) Johnson of Woodstock, Janet (Ronald) Allen of Ann Arbor, MI, James

(Pam) Drafall of Juda, WI, John (Bobbi) Drafall of Huntley, Curtis (Deanna) Drafall of Madison, WI, Paul (Sandy) Drafall of Machesny Park, Erwin (Karen) Drafall of Lexington, SC, and Kim (James) Carroll of Wonder Lake; 25 grandchildren, Joe (Jennifer) Rottmann, Jill (Joel) Kellerman, Kristen (Ryan) Walsh, Jennifer (Murray) Johnson, David (Autumn) Allen, Bethany (Joel) Dykstra, Brian Drafall, Becky (Chaz) Maddrell, Ashley (Drew) Mortimer, Brandon (Jessica) Drafall, Matthew (Maddie Meidl) Drafall, Juli (Michael) Conway, Ralph, Jeremy, William, Brianna, Michael, Jessica, Sara, Keith, Melissa, and Marc Drafall, Daniel & James Kreckler; 37 ½ great-grandchildren; and sister-in-law, Marilyn Borhart.

He is preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Doris on March 19, 2006; sister, Carolyn, brothers-in-law, Charles Schultz, and George Borhart; and grandson, Scott Laidlaw.

The Funeral Service will be at 1 PM on Saturday, Nov. 13 at Trinity Lutheran Church, 11008 N. Church St., in Huntley. Burial with Military Honors will follow in the Huntley Cemetery.

Visitation will be prior to services at the church from 10:30 AM to 1 PM. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Ralph's name may be directed to the Trinity Lutheran Church.

Cemetery Details

Huntley Cemetery

Dean Street
Huntley, IL 60142

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 13. 10:30 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Trinity Lutheran Church
11008 N Church Street
Huntley, IL 60142

Service

NOV 13. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Ralph William Drafall*

January 17, 2023 at 03:12 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ralph William Drafall.*



November 11, 2021 at 11:45 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ralph William Drafall.*



November 10, 2021 at 01:48 PM

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“ I’m so sorry to hear about Ralph passing away
We never met but did talk on the phone and he sent me a letter in
2015
My Grandmother was Helen Drefahl and her daughter who was my
Mom
Dawn Helen Warnecke Fritz
I contacted him about genealogy
I was hoping to see some pictures of the Older Drafall family but he
no longer had them
I feel bad that I never met him
If anyone wants to get together and talk about genealogy I would
love that
I’m on face book
Judy Schag and I live in Johnsburg I’ll

Judy Schag - November 10, 2021 at 12:24 PM

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“ Our deepest sympathy to Ralph's family. He was the best - loved by
everyone. He will be missed.
Sincerely,
Larry & Betsey Warrington

Betsey Warrington - November 10, 2021 at 10:38 AM