

Obituaries

Marshall "Monk" R. Solie

May 16, 1919 - December 22, 2017

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Obituary for Marshall "Monk" R. Solie

Marshall "Monk" Reinhold Solie, 98, of Eau Claire (formerly of Cornell) passed away with his family by his side on December 22, 2017 at Dove Healthcare West - Eau Claire. He was born on May 16, 1919 to Henry and Jennie (Dahl) Solie in Stanley, Wisconsin.

Monk graduated from Cornell High School in 1937 and married Gertrude Hagen in Osseo, Wisconsin on August 27, 1960.

Monk's first love has always been baseball. He entered the Rogers Hornsby School of Baseball in Hot Springs, Arkansas in 1940 where that same year he signed a baseball contract with the Newport (Arkansas) Dodgers, a Triple A farm team of the Brooklyn Dodgers. In February 1941, Monk entered WWII as a combat engineer in the U.S. Army's 3rd Infantry, where he was severely injured in February 1944 and his professional baseball career was ended. His military honors include the Purple Heart, the Croix de Guerre with Palm and the European-African-Middle East Theater Ribbon with one Silver and three Bronze Battle Stars. In addition, Major League Baseball provided Monk with a Lifetime Gold Pass for free admission to any professional baseball game as a tribute to his sacrifice. Monk returned to local baseball in 1947, playing for the Cornell Union Giants and Chippewa River Baseball League until 1966. He was inducted into the Chippewa River Baseball League Hall of Fame in 2013.

Upon returning home from WWII, Monk worked as a butcher until his retirement and was a lover of hunting, fishing and outdoor sports while continuing to coach and teach youth in the Cornell area the passion of baseball for many years. He will be dearly missed by his family and friends.

Monk is survived by his wife, Gertrude of Eau Claire; daughter, Kären Solie (Gino Lambo) of Lauderdale-by-the-Sea, Florida and son, Jon (Ann) Solie of Eau Claire and their daughter, Karen (Jonathan) Ferris and their children, Alexis and Isaac of Edina, Minnesota; sisters-in-law, Lorraine Solie of Delray Beach, Florida and her daughter, Sue (Jim) Patterson of Palm Beach, Florida and Ellen (Rocky) Thompson of Osseo and their children, Jacob (Cindy Haug) Thompson of Strum and Jessica (Brandon) Leinon of Osseo; brothers-in-law, William Jul Hagen of Great Falls, Montana and Michael Olson of Strum and his children, Scott (Lyndy) Olson of Glenwood City, Bjorn (Judy) Olson of Eau Claire, Lisa (Jerome) Lanners of Altoona and Lori (Tom) Jaskowski of Eleva; beloved dog friends, Buddy and Elle as well as many other extended family and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, Henry and Jennie Solie; brother, O.B. Solie; parents-in-law, William and Ruth Hagen; and sisters-in-law, Helen Hagen and Rachel Olson.



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A memorial service will be held at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 201 S. 6th St, Cornell on Saturday, January 6, 2018 at 12:00 PM-Noon with Pastor Andy Schottelkorb officiating.

Memorial Visitation will be from 4:00-7:00 PM on Friday January 5th, 2018 at the Borton-Leiser Funeral Home in Cornell, WI. and from 11:00AM to 12:00 PM-Noon on Saturday at the church.

Interment with full military honors will be at the Northern Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Spooner, Wisconsin at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be given in the name of Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 201 S. 6th St.

Cornell, WI. 54732.

The family would like to thank the wonderful staff of Dove Healthcare West for their generous care and support for Monk over the past two years.

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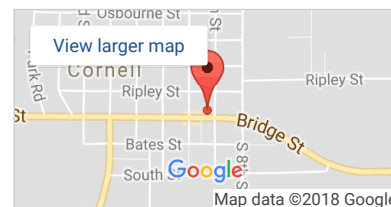
Friday

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🕒 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM

📍 Borton-Leiser Funeral Home
220 South 7th Street
Cornell, WI 54732

Also One hour prior to the services
Saturday at the Church.



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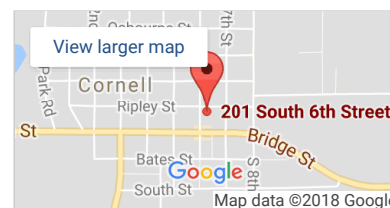
MEMORIAL SERVICE

Saturday

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🕒 12:00 PM

📍 Our Saviors Lutheran Church

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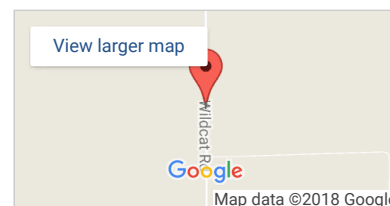
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Cemetery Details

LOCATION

📍 Northern Wisconsin Veterans
Memorial Cemetery

N4063 Wildcat Rd.
Spooner, WI 54801



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