



Carl Germain Schweigert

September 29, 1916 - August 11, 2013

Carl Schweigert passed away August 11, 2013 at age 96 while sleeping peacefully at home in his favorite recliner.

Carl was born in Parkston, South Dakota to Charles and Otilia Schweigert, the third of their four children. He grew up on his family's farm, where he learned the value of hard work, discipline and perseverance. In his spare time, he enjoyed racing his Model T Ford, playing fiddle at local barn dances and interacting with surrounding Native American tribes. At age 18, amidst the Great Depression and despite having only attained an 8th grade education, he left home to make his way in the world as a self-taught auto mechanic and repair specialist.

In 1943, Carl was drafted into the United States Army as a motor inspector, and attended the General Motors Institute in Flint, MI. Later that year, he married his sweetheart Millie Bofenkamp in her hometown of Ellsworth, MN. Shortly after their wedding, at the height of World War II, he was deployed to the European Theater where he participated in the Normandy Invasion.

After completing his service, Carl and Millie moved to Richmond, CA where he continued his career in auto repair and raised four children. He was involved with the Boy Scouts of America and was an active member of St. Cornelius Church. Carl cherished summer family road trips to the Midwest where he and Millie could share their family roots with their children.

In 1982, he retired and relocated to Napa. Carl became very active in the Sons In Retirement (SIRS), and distributed furniture to the needy through the St. Vincent de Paul Society. He enjoyed gardening and woodworking; he was a remarkable craftsman who could fix anything, and was the original "do-it-yourselfer". He also had a lifetime love of music and animals, especially dogs.

Carl is survived by his wife of 69 years, Mildred, his children, Douglas, John, Nancy (Gary) Dorigi and Janet (Robert) Turcios, and grandchildren, Kristel, Mark, Erica, Emily and Elise.

Services will be held Friday, August 23, 2013 at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Previous Events

Mass

AUG **23**. 10:00 AM (PT)

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

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