



## LaVerne "Bud" Rosenbaum

July 15, 1927 - October 21, 2011

HANNA-LaVerne "Bud" Rosenbaum, 84, passed away peacefully Friday, October 21, at LaPorte Hospital surrounded by his family. Bud was a deeply faithful Christian, a member of the First Lutheran Church in Hanna and a man of great integrity.

Bud was born on July 15, 1927, to Clarence Rosenbaum and Hertha Hundt Rosenbaum. After receiving his high school diploma from Hanna School, Bud served in the U.S. Navy where he was a Seaman First Class. After his naval service he married Normalee Carlson Johnson on February 13, 1948. They lived in Hanna during the entire 62 years of their marriage. There they raised two daughters, Marylee and Susanne.

Bud was a hard working man, working during high school on the railroad and for 34 years after the Navy as a machinist at Allis Chalmers where he was a leader in the United Auto Workers. He worked as a high school basketball referee during the Allis Chalmers years; after retiring he worked as a Rural Route Postal Carrier and a school bus driver.

As a young man, he played golf, softball and baseball. He loved sports of all kinds, both as a participant and fan, but especially loved the Chicago Cubs. He and Normalee traveled all over the country and even into Canada to watch their beloved Cubs and could entertain a roomful for hours with tales of friends

they made in the bleacher section and chance meeting with Cubs greats. They also loved to travel and managed to visit nearly every state in the Union before settling in their later years on Biloxi, Mississippi, as the perfect spot for a couple of snow birds. Everywhere they went they made lifelong friends and collected wonderful stories about colorful characters they encountered.

Bud believed in giving back to his community, and for many years delivered meals for Meals-on-Wheels and served as a flu shot volunteer for the VNA. He was a charter member of the Hanna American Legion where he served for 65 years.

Bud was preceded in death by his parents, his beloved wife Normalee, his daughter Marylee, and his sister Kathryn Rosenbaum. He is survived by his daughter Susanne Knutsen of Hanna, grandson John Mockler of LaPorte, granddaughter AnnaLee Jacobs and husband Mark of Union Mills, great-grandchildren Mazielee Joy Jacobs and Cole Xaivier Jacobs, also of Union Mills, his brother Dan Rosenbaum and wife Janet of LaPorte, his sister Karolyn Mills of Hanna and several nieces and nephews.

A funeral service will be held at the First Lutheran Church in Hanna at 2:00 p.m. (Central Time) on Wednesday, October 26, with visitation one hour prior to the service. A graveside military service will be held at Hanna Cemetery following the service. Memorial contributions can be made to the First Lutheran Church in Hanna. Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel is handling arrangements.

# Tribute Wall



“ We are all so sorry for your loss. We liked both of your parents alot and we extend our deepest sympathies.

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“ I remember so many times of laughter and fun with your family as a young girl. My prayers are with you all, especially Suzi. May God lead Bud's soul into Heaven to rest in His mercy and His peace. Bless you all!.

**Barbara E. Volk Leek** - April 29, 2018 at 08:05 PM



“ To all who read this know that I never forgot Bud or Normalee. Two of the most incredible people I have ever met. There love and laughter resonates in my thoughts always. I think of them on the beach, in the sun with sea shells at our feet. Love to all. Anna

**Anna Lea Lemman Kellogg** - April 29, 2018 at 08:05 PM



“ Dear Suzanne and family,I have wonderful memories of a fun loving family, that will always be in my heart.My deepest heartfelt sympathy for your great loss.He will truly be missed.He was greeted by two great women on his walk over. Love to you all, Mickey

**Mickey Newhouse** - April 29, 2018 at 08:05 PM