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WAUKESHA

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Erwin Rupp, 78, of Waukesha, was born to eternal life Monday, Feb. 23, 2004. Erwin was born July 10, 1925, in Pewaukee, to

George and Ella (nee Willing) Rupp.

He proudly served his country in the U.S. Navy during World War

II. On July 16, 1949, he married Joyce (nee Thomas) Rupp in Waukesha. Erwin owned and operated Erv Rupp Builders for more than 30 years, retiring in 1989. He was a member of Soat-Vergenz Veteran of Foreign Wars Post 721 and a member of the Carpenter's Union Local No. 344 for more than 50 years. He was an avid outdoorsman, who enjoyed hunting, fishing, gardening and playing cards with his family.

He will be sadly missed by his wife of 54 years, Joyce of Waukesha, along with their children, Donald Rupp of Dousman, James (Colleen) Rupp of Eagle, Diane (Ray) Nowak of Oconomowoc, Janet (Al) Holtz of New Berlin, Doug (Laura) Rupp of Waukesha, Dale (Cheryl) Rupp of Oconomowoc, Darlene Rupp of West Allis, Edward Rupp of Muskego, Debbie (Jay) Lenski of Eagle and Sherry Rupp of Menomonee Falls. He was the proud grandfather of 17 grandchildren and three greatgrandchildren and dear brother of Marion (Bob) Karl of Waukesha, the late Esther (Bill) Nicholas of Oregon, Bernice (the late Walter) Sasse of Menomonee Falls, Gloria (the late Monte) Cornwell of Oregon and Sandy (Paul) Reklaitas of California. He is further survived by nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents and a daughter, Donna Rupp.

Friends may call from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 26, at Randle-Dable Funeral Home, 1110 S. Grand Ave., Waukesha. A VFW service will be held at 8 p.m. followed by the funeral service. Graveside services with military honors will take place at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Feb. 27, at Southern Wisconsin Veteran's Memorial Cemetery in Union Grove; please meet at the cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials in his name are appreciated to the American Lung Association of Wisconsin, 150 S. Sunnyslope Road, New Berlin, WI 53151; the Soat-Vergenz VFW Post 721, 409 Delafield St., Waukesha, WI 53187-0721; or Military Order of the Gooties.

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