



Lewis Ritchie

November 2, 2011

Ritchie, Lewis M. Age 94 of Anoka on Oct. 30, 2011. Preceded in death by parents, Margaret and Anthony; brothers, John & Ned DeBruzzi, Henry & Julius Ritchie; sisters, Christie Anzevino, Paskie Donatell, Adeline Olson & Angela Piesert. He is survived by his loving wife, Genevieve, of 69 years; by sons Dennis (Lynn) Ritchie and David (Margarita) Ritchie; grandchildren, Laurie (Steve) Leensvaart, Lisa (Chris) Terrell, Kara (James) Pritchett and Kathy Ritchie; great-grandchildren, Julia & Cecelia Terrell, Hannah Pritchett & Elsa Leensvaart, brother Tom Ritchie; many nieces and nephews, relatives and friends. He grew up on a farm in Comstock, Wisconsin surrounded by a loving and large Italian-American family. Lewis married the love of his life, Genevieve Hansen, in 1942, and after serving in WWII, and returned home to raise his family and tend to his garden. Throughout his entire career as a machinist at Honeywell, and later helping at Anoka Technical College, Lewis truly remained a farmer at heart, maintaining a prolific vegetable garden from which he loved to feed his family and guests. In lieu of flowers, memorials preferred to National Parkinson Foundation, Gift Processing Center, PO Box 5018, Hagerstown, MD 21741-5018. Funeral service 11:00 AM Friday, Nov. 4, with visitation one hour prior at: Washburn-McReavy Eden Prairie Chapel 952-975-0400 7625 Mitchell Road (1 blk N. of Hwy 5)

Tribute Wall

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“ So sorry for your loss. We will miss him,he was a wonderful grandfather, and great grandfather. How fortunate that our children were to know and love this wonderful man and could call him Papa Louie. What a Great Grandpa!

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Julie Connell,

Minnesota

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