



## Lorimer August Swanson

December 12, 1918 - July 11, 2011

Lorimer was born on December 12, 1918 in Cushing, WI. He was the 2nd child of Henry A. and Ida (Anderson) Swanson. He was baptized on Feb. 23, 1919 at Swedish Lutheran Church, Taylors Falls, MN. The family also lived in Osceola, WI and Dresser, WI. His mother died in 1928, after which Lorimer and his 3 siblings moved to Albert City, IA to be cared for by his aunt and uncle, Carl and Agnes Farb, for 6 weeks. From June 1928 to fall of 1929 the family lived with his Uncle Art Anderson (a bachelor) on his farm. Then they moved to Fairmont, MN with their father, who found work in the canning factory. Lorimer graduated from Fairmont High School in 1940. He was then drafted into the Army in 1943 and sent to Camp Adair in Oregon for training. He was sent to the Pacific theater near New Guinea, then to the Philippines (1 day), and then to Japan. After being discharged from the Army, Lorimer moved to Minneapolis to work and be near his father who had relocated there. In 1951 he moved to St. Paul, living with his father and step-mother. Lorimer remained there until 2006 when he moved into Augustana Homes in Minneapolis. In December 2010 he moved into the attached Augustana Health Care Center. Lorimer worked at Daytons/Marshall Fields Minneapolis warehouse for 35 years. He belonged to Bethlehem Lutheran Church in St. Paul and was active in their programs. He enjoyed traveling around the world for his pastime. He was preceded in death by his parents, his step-mother Jean Hay Swanson, brother Clement Arthur in 1925, sister Hortense (Tenny) Anderson in 2004, brother Henry Idalis (Dal) Swanson in 2006, and sister

Marietta Sauck in 2009. He is survived by 15 nieces and nephews, cousins, friends, and special "adopted" niece and care giver, Joyce Doerffler. Funeral service to be held 11AM Tuseday, August 9, 2011 (with a visitation from 10-11AM) at BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH IN-THE-MIDWAY, 436 N. Roy St., St. Paul. Interment at Ft. Snelling National Cemetery. Memorials preferred to Bethlehem Lutheran Church in-the-Midway.