



## Robert Henry Pappenfus

July 18, 1927 - April 15, 2015

Robert “Bob” Henry Pappenfus was born on July 18, 1927, to Joseph and Alma (Loosbroek) in St. Cloud, Minnesota. Shortly after birth the family moved to Melrose, MN where Joseph was in the grain elevator business. In 1944 at age 17, Bob joined the United States Navy. Bob served America in the Pacific, for two years up to the end of WWII. Just before the end of the war, Bob served aboard the USS Fond Du Lac, a troop transport ship, carrying the 5th Marine Division, scheduled for the invasion of Japan.

Upon honorable discharge from the Navy, Bob was awarded his high school diploma. Bob attended St. John’s University in Collegeville, MN from 1947 to 1949. It was the summer of 1948 when Bob met Marian Bromenshenkel at a party on Birch Lake, North of Sauk Centre. Bob and Marian were united in marriage on July 27, 1949, in Sauk Centre. To this union four children were born, David, Jhane, MaryJo and Thomas. Bob undertook the study of law while starting this family with Marian. Bob graduated with the first class of William Mitchell Law School in 1957. That same year, Bob and Marian moved their family to Alexandria, MN. Bob started a law practice in Alexandria where he continued to practice for 58 years until his death. Bob and Marian enjoyed over 65 years of Marriage.

Bob and Marian enjoyed travel, the opera, and entertaining. Bob enjoyed construction, remodeling, designing new homes, and the relationships he and

Marian built during this process. Bob and Marian enjoyed deer hunting with their family like any holiday. However, what Bob and Marian enjoyed most was working together in the law practice and serving people. Bob always said, "The person who keeps the books runs the business." Marian kept the books.

Bob died and went to be with his Lord and Savior on Wednesday, April 15, 2015, at the age of 87. He is preceded in death by his parents, Joesph and Alma Pappenfus; twin brother, Billy Pappenfus; grandson, Joseph Pappenfus; and sister, Dorthea Roberts.

He is survived by his wife, Marian; children, David (Sandy) Pappenfus, Jhane Pappenfus, Mary Jo (Dave) Uhlenkott, and Thomas (Christine) Pappenfus; grandchildren, Daniel Uhlenkott, Rachel Pappenfus and Crystal (Ben) Salmi; great grandchildren, Bella Salmi and Emmalyn Salmi; sisters, Mary Ann Polipnick and Carlyn (Al) Ellering.

Burial took place with full military honors on Wednesday, April 22, 2015, at Noon, at the Minnesota State Veteran's Cemetery in Camp Ripley, Little Falls, MN.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 20. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Anderson Funeral Home and Crematory  
659 Voyager Drive NW  
Alexandria, MN 56308  
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## Prayer Service

APR 20. 6:45 PM (CT)

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## Knights of Columbus Rosary

APR 20. 6:30 PM - 6:45 PM (CT)

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## Visitation

APR 21. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church  
421 Hawthorne St  
Alexandria, MN

## Mass of Christian Burial

APR 21. 1:00 PM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church  
421 Hawthorne St  
Alexandria, MN

## Burial

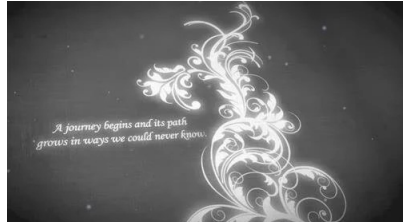
APR 22. 12:00 PM (CT)

Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery  
Little Falls, MN 56345

# Tribute Wall



“ Anderson Funeral Home and Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Robert Henry Pappenfus



Anderson Funeral Home - April 20, 2015 at 12:54 PM

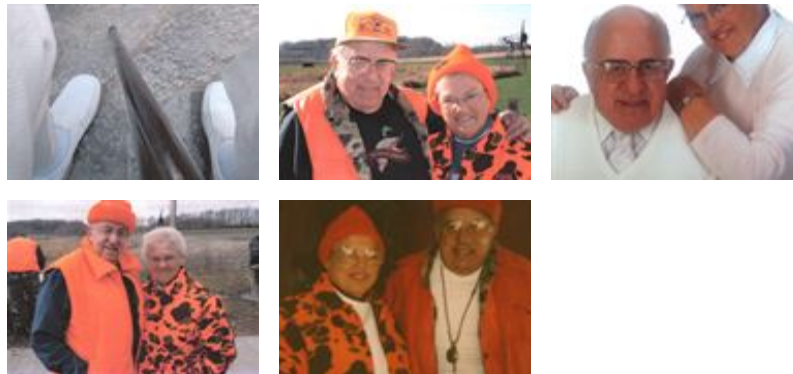
WC

“ Very sorry to hear that Robert has passed away will miss seeing Him very much and the visits we would have during deer hunting season . May GOD be with him on his new journey to HEAVEN .

wayne chan - April 30, 2015 at 01:32 PM



“ 29 files added to the album Life Tributes



Anderson Funeral Home - April 20, 2015 at 12:58 PM



“ *America the Beautiful was purchased for the family of Robert Henry Pappenfus.*



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April 19, 2015 at 08:31 PM



“ *The Meller and The Ebert families purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Robert Henry Pappenfus.*



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**The Meller and The Ebert families** - April 19, 2015 at 03:57 PM



“ *Bob will always have a special place in the hearts of Orv and Wanda Thun.  
Orv took care of Bob at Herbergers, selling him his favorite shirts.  
Bob was so helpful and kind when he helped us with our wills.  
Always knowing the right thing to say when it wasn't easy. We appreciated his kindness and concerns.*

*Our thoughts and prayers to the Pappenfus family.*

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**Orv and Wanda Thun** - April 19, 2015 at 09:11 AM



“ 52 files added to the album Life Tributes



Anderson Funeral Home - April 18, 2015 at 04:17 PM



Our hearts and prayers are with you. Love, The Ohio "family" Ed, Becky, Tom, Tommy, Shannon, Cameron, Angela and the little guys

Becky Stegall - April 18, 2015 at 09:24 PM



Our condolences to Marian and family.

Joan Piotrowski - April 20, 2015 at 10:44 AM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you.  
Mike and Nancy Ziebarth

Nancy Ziebarth - April 18, 2015 at 03:25 PM



“ Just heard of Bob's passing. I wish to extend my condolences. Mike Redig

Mike Redig - April 18, 2015 at 11:06 AM

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“ *To the Pappenfus Family; Sympathy for the loss of your loved one. We joked quite often about "volunteering". God be with you in this time of Grief.*



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**Ed, Patti, Shannon Thompson** - April 18, 2015 at 06:55 AM

KT

“ *So sorry to read about Bob passing. He was a friend for decades. You have our sympathy. Ken and Tolly Tessmer*

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**Ken and Tolly Tessmer** - April 17, 2015 at 05:15 PM