



Byron Berg

Byron Morgan Berg, 75, Blanchardville, died unexpectedly May 12, 2002, with his wife, Jeannette, by his side.

He was born March 17, 1927, in Green County, to Morgan and Bertha (Vamstad) Berg. He attended grade school in the Mount Vernon area, attended the Mount Horeb High School, and graduated from Blanchardville High School in 1945. He married Jeannette Louise Gilbertson on Aug. 9, 1952, in the Blanchardville Lutheran Church. He famed until he entered the Army in 1955, where he served with the 86th Infantry Division at Fort Riley, Kan. After he left the service, he farmed with his wife, Jeannette, for the remainder of his life in the Blanchardville area. Byron served his community for many years through becoming a Blanchard Township Chairman and Lafayette County Board member from 1957 until 1971. He continued to serve on the County Board until 1982, and then again from 1988 until 2002, for a total of 39 years of service, with 16 of those years serving as Board Chairman on the Lafayette County Board. He was a member of the Blanchardville Lutheran Church; was a representative of Lutheran Brotherhood Branch 8338; and was a member of the Dobson-Johnson American Legion Post in Blanchardville.

Byron was well known in

Wisconsin and nationally for his many years of dedication and personal commitment to soil and water conservation. Through the years he served many organizations, including serving as a national director of the National Association Conservation District; national director of Farm Credit; and treasurer of the Wisconsin County Boards Association. He was also an avid Pecatonica athletics supporter, and enjoyed going to many games.

Survivors include: his wife of 49 years, Jeannette Berg, Blanchardville; three children: Mike (Diane) Berg, Blanchardville; Karin (Larry) Ziemski, Milwaukee; and Julie (Robert) MacSwain, Stillwater, Minn.; a sister: Marilyn (Michael) Dresnek, Chugiak, Ark; seven grandchildren: Amanda, Tiffany, Hailey, Kelsey and Taylor Berg; Daniel and Raquel MacSwain. He was preceded in death by his parents; a son, John, who died in infancy; and two sisters: Lillian Wild and Blanche Eggerstafer.

Funeral services were held May 16, 2002, at Blanchardville Lutheran Church. Burial was in Graceland Cemetery, Blanchardville. Visitation: May 15, 2002, from 4-9 p.m. at the Blanchardville Lutheran Church. Saether Funeral Home, Blanchardville, served the family.

Florence Berg

Florence M. Berg, 89, Pardeeville, died May 29, 2000, at her home. ^{6-0 00}

She was born Oct. 1, 1910, in Calamine, the daughter of James F. and Luella (Downey) McKillip. She was united in marriage to Harold Peter Berg Nov. 6, 1935, at Galena, Ill.

Florence was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Pardeeville. She was a very loving and caring person. Her family and faith meant everything to her. Florence was always there without hesitation whenever needed. She will be dearly missed.

She is survived by her five children, Anna Mae (Wesley) Johnson, Gratiot; Luella (LaVern) Hying, Pardeeville; Arlene (Darrell) Skinner, Peoria, Ariz.; Mavis (Charles) Czarnecki, Poynette; Donna (Robert) Moran, Montello; nine grandchildren, Rick (Debbie) Bongard, Belleville; Cindy (Dave) Crotty, Oregon; Brenda (Fred) Heller, Oconto Falls; Mike Bongard, Madison; Duane (Kay) Bongard, Oregon; Doug (Carrie) Jones, Stitzer; Pam (Dennis) Low, Phoenix, Ariz.; Lynn (Bob) Trembley, Peoria, Ariz.; Andy Hying, Pardeeville;

17 great-grandchildren; a sister, Amy (Henry) Heins, Darlington; several sisters and brothers-in-law; nieces, nephews, other near relatives and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; a daughter, Betty Jean; a son, Joseph Lawrence; two brothers, Joseph "Larry" and Frank; two sisters, Lillian Staver and Annie Bartels.

Funeral services were held June 1, 2000, at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Pardeeville. Father Thomas Schroeder officiated. Burial was at Immaculate Conception Cemetery, Kendall Township.

The family suggests memorials be made in Florence's name to The American Cancer Society.

The Smith Funeral Home, Pardeeville, is serving the family.