



Everard "Bing" Behnke

June 20, 1919 - December 3, 2011

Everard "Bing" Behnke, 92, of Fond du Lac, died Saturday, December 3, 2011, at the St. Francis Home. He was born on June 20, 1919, in the Town of Byron, a son of Paul W. and Euphemia M. Hardy Behnke. Bing was a 1937 graduate of Fond du Lac Senior High School. He served with the United States Army Air Corps in England and France during World War II. Bing participated in the Old Glory Honor Flight on June 9, 2011. In his own words, "it was the most moving experience of my life". He greatly appreciated everyone who made that wonderful trip possible. On January 9, 1951, he married his beautiful wife, Dorothy Bixby, and they celebrated 59 years of a wonderful marriage. She preceded him in death in March 2010. He worked for a commercial bus company for 31 years, having driven over three million miles without ever having an accident. After his retirement, Dorothy and him enjoyed their winters in Florida. Bing was a true gentleman. Everyone who knew him will dearly miss his quick wit and sense of humor. He was the consummate storyteller. Bing was also an avid Packers and Brewers fan, he seldom missed a game. He is survived by many nieces and nephews. Preceding him in death were five brothers: John, Lawrence, Roy, Al and Paul; and one sister, Isabelle Kiester. The family would like to thank the St. Francis Terrace for making Bing's residency there a true home with caregivers who were like family to him. A private funeral service was held at Mach Funeral Chapel & Crematory. Entombment followed in the Shrine of Rest Mausoleum of Ledgeview Memorial Park.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Were going to miss you Uncle Everard, your since of humor and wisdom will be greatly cherished by us all.*

Stacy Behnke - December 10, 2011 at 12:02 AM