





THE CITY OF SAINT PETER HAS LOST A FAVORITE SON. GERALD "BUD" LORGE PASSED AWAY PEACEFULLY JULY 30, 2019.

Bud was born in Wisconsin January 20, 1925. Bud moved with parents Joseph and Cecile Lorge to St Peter, Minnesota. There Bud lived along with his siblings; Kathleen, Lorraine, and Mary Alice. Bud continued to live in St Peter until retiring.

Bud spent 4 years in the U S Navy during WW2. Stationed aboard the USS INTREPID AIRCRAFT CARRIER, as a Aviation Radioman Third Class. (USS Intrepid decommissioned and docked in New York City Harbor next to the Space Museum).

After the Navy, he returned to St Peter to work for Hallett Materials as Portable Equipment Manager and Foreman. He learned to pilot small airplanes and in 1964 he received his certificate for completing his first solo flight and gained his license to become the pilot for Hallett's.

He flew customers and executives to different job locations around the Mid-West. Bud enjoyed this aspect of the job very much.

Bud met the love of his life, wife to be, Lorraine Filler, at a restaurant in St Peter. A story they would sometimes tell: Lorraine was a waitress and cleaning the counter when Bud came in and saw her. Bud was so smitten with her, that he almost sat in a butter dish Lorraine had placed on the stool.

They married August 21, 1946 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in St Peter, lived and raised their 5 children in St Peter. You could always see Bud with the snow plow in the winter, making paths to walk and drive around the neighborhood.

Bud continued to work at Hallett's until his retirement in 1988. Bud was a Lifetime member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and American Legion, and Knights of Columbus, and a big Minnesota Vikings fan, never giving up hope that the Vikings would win a Super Bowl. Bud and Lorraine moved to California and finally settled in Arizona to enjoy warmer winters.

Lorraine passed away on February 7, 2019.

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Missing his wife of almost 73 years, and after complications from a fall, he went to join her in eternity, 6 months later.

Bud left his oldest son Gary (Hawaii), Dennis (Colorado), Daughter Patrice (Minnesota). Daughter Karen and son Michael passed away in 2014 and 2016 respectively. There are 6 grand-children, and 10 great-grandchildren.

Bud and Lorraine and Karen are interred in Desert Lawn Cemetery, in Fort Mohave, AZ, and Bud received the Military Honor with an American flag from a grateful nation for his US Navy service, during World War Two. Accepting this honor for his beloved father was his oldest son, Gary T Lorge.

Rest in Peace Bud and Lorraine; Dad and Mom, Grandpa and Grandma, Great-Grandpa and Great-Grandma. Your family and friends will miss you, but it is a blessing to know the two of you are together again.



Gerald "Bud" Lorge awarded and presented with "The Military Honor for Service" for his U.S. Naval Service in WW2 as Aviation Radioman 3rd Class Petty Officer on the Aircraft Carrier USS Intrepid. USS Intrepid is currently moored in New York Harbor next to the Space Museum. Now a museum Open to the public. We encourage our family to visit the ship.