



John W. Cramer

June 8, 1920 - July 18, 2024

John W. Cramer age 104 of Dixon passed away on July 18, 2024 at Heritage Square in Dixon. He was born on June 8, 1920 in Dixon, IL the son of Raymond and Rebecca (Levan) Cramer. John worked for the Freeman Shoe Co. for 25 years and while working at the Shoe Co. served in the Army during WWII from 1944 to 1946. While in the Army he did his basic training at Camp Walters Texas, and was assigned to the 383 Regiment, 96 Division. John was sent to the Pacific. He was involved in the invasions of Okinawa in April and Saipan in June of 1945. John received his Combat Infantry Badge, Bronze Star Medal with oak leaf cluster and V device, Presidential Unit Citation, Asiatic Pacific Campaign Badge, and WWII Victory and Good Conduct Medals. He also worked for Marshall Beauty Supply for 41 1/2 years before retiring at age 85. John was a member of the 1st United Methodist Church in Dixon, the American Legion, Amvets Club, Kiwanis Club of Dixon, Elks Lodge of Dixon, the treasurer of the Palmyra Cemetery Association, and was active in the Sugar Grove church and School Restoration.

John was one of the friendliest men you would ever meet. He lived 104 healthy years until just recently. John gave up his driver's license at age 102. He married Elaine Mueller on Aug. 16, 1941 in Dixon, IL. John is preceded in death by his parents, wife Elaine that passed on Feb. 23, 2023 and one brother Dr. Dale Cramer. He is survived by his son John (Linda) Cramer Jr of Herrin, IL, daughter Sue Rocheleau of Chicago, sister in law Jeana Cramer of Tuscaloosa AL, one grandson John W. Cramer III, two step grandchildren

Anthony Huffstutter, Michel (Shane) Clark, four step great grandchildren Jessica, Makayla, Adam, Darien, and several nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be on Wednesday July 24, 2024 at 11:00 AM at the First United Methodist Church in Dixon. Burial will follow at Palmyra Cemetery with full military honors. Visitation will be on Tuesday July 23, 2024 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Jones Funeral Home in Dixon. Memorial donations can be made to the American Legion, Dixon Veterans Park, and United Methodist Church in Dixon. Arrangements by the Jones Funeral Home in Dixon.

Cemetery Details

Sugar Grove

352 Timbercreek Rd
Dixon, IL 61021

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL **23.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Jones Funeral Home, Dixon
204 South Ottawa
Dixon, IL 61021
Ph: 815-288-2241
info@thejonesfh.com
<https://www.thejonesfh.com>

Service

JUL **24.** 11:00 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church
202 S Peoria Ave
Dixon, IL 61021

Tribute Wall

JG

“ It was such an honor and a pleasure to meet your family. I miss seeing all of you. I'll never forget Mrs. Cramer's laugh or Mr. Cramer's big smile. They were such a joy to be around. One of my favorite photos of them that they had on display, they looked to be in their 20s and I think they were on a small rowboat on some body of water. They looked adorable back then, too. That photo melted my heart every time I saw it. They were the definition of love. My sincere condolences to the family.

Jeannette G - September 13, 2024 at 08:29 PM



“ RIP Mr. Cramer!

Wayne Burgess - July 20, 2024 at 07:18 PM

JH

“ Our sincere condolences to the Carmer family. Mr. Cramer was a member of the "greatest generation" and will be missed and long remembered.

Sincerely, Joe & Anita Harris

Joe Harris - July 20, 2024 at 11:06 AM

MG

“ The Cramers were good friends with my parents, George and Velma Slothower. I have many fond memories of our family get togethers. Praying for the Cramer family during this difficult time.

Mary Slothower Griffith - July 20, 2024 at 10:53 AM



“ *I did not know John but as I read his obituary, could not help but marvel of his remarkable life and service to his country and community. May he RIP*

Cindy Boyenga - July 20, 2024 at 09:36 AM

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“ *We will miss hearing more of Susie's stories about her father and his zest for life. Sympathies to the family.*
Barbara Crowe Tarpley

Barbara Crowe Taprley - July 20, 2024 at 08:05 AM