

*Never Forgotten Honor Flight
Attn: Dick Jarvis
4404 Rib Mountain Drive #234
Wausau, WI 54401*

Hi Dick,

This donation is being made in memory of WW II Veteran Ervin (Erv) Kolpitzke who passed away on July 27th. Erv also fought in the Battle of the Bulge. Attached is a picture of Erv and Tim. Tim did a report on the Battle of the Bulge and had the privilege of interviewing Erv about his experience. Our hearts are sad. We have lost another great one from the greatest generation. Please send an acknowledgement of the donation in his honor to his two sisters.

*Mrs. Arlene Loeffel
Mrs. Delores Sherbert
111 Park Blvd
Wausau, WI 54401-6029*

Thank you, Dick.

Barb + Sam

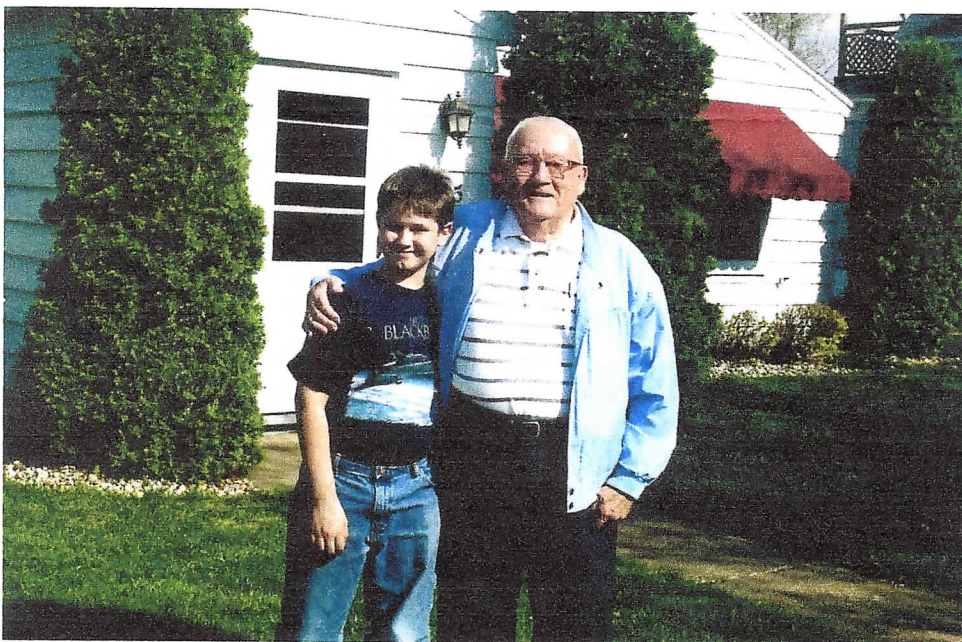
*Barb and Sam Morgan
3418 Polzer Drive
Wausau, WI 54401*



This is Mr. Ervin Kolpitcke who is a Veteran of the Battle of the Bulge. He was a Company Clerk in the Ninth Armored Division. He lives in Wausau, Wisconsin and is a member of Trinity Lutheran Church.

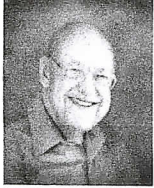


This is the Battle of the Bulge Memorial in front of the Marathon County Courthouse in downtown Wausau, Wisconsin.



This is Mr. Wes Cooper who is a Veteran of the Battle of the Bulge. He was a Corporal in the U.S. Eighth Corps. He lives in Wausau, Wisconsin.

I have visited with both of these men about their experiences in the Battle of the Bulge and I am honored and privileged to have them as friends.

Ervin Kolpitcke(1922 - 2017)

Kolpitcke, Ervin

Ervin Kolpitcke, 95, of Wausau passed away on Thursday, July 27, 2017 under the care of Interim Hospice.

He was born February 25, 1922 in Wausau to the late Michael and Lena (Schwittay) Kolpitcke. Ervin was a graduate of Wausau High School. He was a veteran of WWII. Ervin was a Sergeant in the U.S. Army and fought in the Battle of the Bulge. He also served in the Army Reserve for 36 years and was an expert marksman. Ervin was a member of the American Legion Montgomery Plant Dudley Post #10 and Lifetime Member of VFW Burns Post #388. Upon his return from service, he began working as a teller at First American National Bank. On October 8, 1949, Ervin married Alice Dahlke at Trinity Lutheran Church, Wausau. They raised two sons, Kirk and Kevin with Ervin working as manager of Monroe Calculator Co. He served as former Wausau Alderman and Marathon County Supervisor. Ervin was a member of the United Commercial Travelers and Marathon County Ag Society. After retiring, Ervin and Alice enjoyed traveling, especially their trips to England.

Survivors include his two sons, Kirk (Helen) of Rib Mountain, Kevin of Wausau, grandson, Michael of Rib Mountain and two sisters, Arlene Loeffel and Delores Sherbert, both of Wausau. He was preceded in death by his wife Alice, sister, Beatrice Duranceau and four brothers, Harry, Melvin, David and Donald.

Funeral services will be 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, August 1, 2017 at Trinity Lutheran Church, 501 Stewart Ave., Wausau. Reverend Gary Schultz will officiate. Entombment will be in Garden of Eternal Rest Mausoleum at Restlawn Memorial Park with full military honors performed by VFW Burns Post #388. Visitation will be at the church on Tuesday from 9:30 a.m. until the time of services. You may sign our family guest book at helke.com.

Memorials may be directed to Trinity Lutheran Church.

**Funeral Home****Helke Funeral Home and Cremation Service**

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