

November 29, 2021

Never Forgotten Honor Flight
225780 Rib Mountain Drive #234
Wausau, WI 54401

Enclosed is a donation in memory of our husband, dad, grandpa and great-grandpa, Peter J. Arendt Jr. He passed away on May 15, 2020, on a beautiful spring day, working on his farm, after a UTV accident at the age of 87. He lived a very full, faithful life.

He took part in the honor flight on April 22, 2013, and it was an unforgettable experience for him. He was very honored to participate and encouraged others to apply for the once in a lifetime opportunity.

He served in the United States Army during the Korean War as a helicopter mechanic. He often said that they took the farm kids out of the recruits and showed them the helicopters and said "figure out how to make them fly." His duties kept him stateside, however he was involved in a helicopter crash during a test flight in foggy weather. The pilot was descending to find their coordinates, when the helicopter blades caught in power lines and they crashed in rural Pennsylvania. He returned to that area after retirement and met some family members of the people who took them in after the accident.

He belonged to the Vesper American Legion Post 520, where he had served as the Chaplain.

We are donating memorial contributions from his passing in hopes that other veterans can have the same enjoyable and memorable experience he did.

Yours truly,

Family of Peter J. Arendt Jr.