



## Arthur C. Werch

July 22, 1919 - April 23, 2017

Arthur Coval Werch, age 97, of Berlin, passed away peacefully on the morning of April 23, 2017, at The American House of Berlin.

He was born into this world the son of Adolf and Julia (Gitzel) Werch on July 22, 1919 in the Town of Berlin.

After completing the 8th Grade, he helped on the family farm until enlisting in the US Army on July 15, 1941. He earned the rank of Corporal in the Military Police, Platoon A, 8TH Infantry Division. He served in Normandy, Northern France, Rhineland, Central Europe and Ireland. He landed in France on Omaha Beach and was awarded 7 medals. He also had the honor of driving General George Patton on occasion. He was honorably discharged on October 6, 1945. After the war he returned home to Berlin where he had various construction jobs working for Kalupa Construction and Ed Ross Construction. He eventually gained employment at Speed Queen of Ripon where he worked until his retirement,

In 1949 he walked into the Mendleski Clothing Store where he met Camille Mendleski. They were married on July 8, 1950 at St Stanislaus Parish and settled on S W Ceresco St for the next 41 years. They were blessed with two daughters, Louise in 1951 and Joane in 1955. Camille preceded him in death on May 3, 2011 after 61 years of marriage.

Arthur's passion was fishing. Every evening he would take his fishing pole and walk down to "The Wall" on the Fox River (now known as Izzy's Dockside). He fished somewhere, every day if he could, but always saved Sundays to spend

time with his family.

His second favorite thing was deer hunting in the Northwoods of Wisconsin, mainly Pittsville and Tripoli. He had many successful hunts with his brothers Dick and Herbert and nephews Harold and Tim Reilly.

Arthur was a proud member of VFW Local 2925. Together with his good friend Brian Zamzow, they supplied enough catfish for the annual Catfish Feed. He had many fishing partners over the years, Brian Zamzow, Harold Reilly, John Brisky, Dan Steckbauer and longtime friend Sal Mlodzik.

Arthur's proudest memory was going to Washington D.C. on August 25, 2011, with Old Glory Flight X, accompanied by his nephew, Harold Reilly. It was a trip of a lifetime that he cherished until his passing.

Arthur is survived by his daughters Louise (Dan) Chier, of Berlin and Joane Strelow, of Markesan. He also had three grandchildren, Danielle (Jed) Henke and their children Trevor and Jakobson Henke of Neshkoro, Julie (Adam) Deibert and their children Wyatt and Weston Deibert, of Berlin and Curt Chier of Rhinelander. He is also survived by one sister, Elizabeth Martin, of Berlin, Sister-in-law Irene Werch of Blairsville, GA, Brother-in-law Leo Wiesman of West Bend, WI and a special nephew, Bill Werch, of Vancouver, WA and many other wonderful nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Camille, who passed away on May 3, 2011. Also, three brothers, Charles, Herbert and Richard Werch and five sisters, Alma Kotloski, Ardene Grota, Ruth Feuerherm, Lois Wiesman and Helen Reilly.

A special thank you to the wonderful staff of The American House of Berlin who have given so much loving and attentive care to Arthur in the past 2 ½ years. Also to Agnesian Hospice Hope for making his last days comfortable and peaceful.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Stanislaus Catholic Cemetery

N. Wisconsin St  
Berlin, WI 54923

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 2. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Wiecki-Skipchak Funeral Home  
116 S Adams Ave  
Berlin, WI 54923  
(920) 361-2050

## Memorial Service

MAY 2. 11:00 AM (CT)

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