



Rutherford

CEMETERY & COLUMBARIUM ASSOCIATION
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NEWSLETTER

March 2021

Our Mission

Our mission is to honor the memory of those who have chosen our hallowed grounds as their final resting place. We include people of all faiths and offer ground burials as well as a columbarium. We are an all-volunteer, non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation of this lovely historic site. To this end, we rely on individual and community support as well as donations.



A message from our President

Greetings Rutherford Members!



2020 was a year unto itself – and hopefully one like no other we’ll ever see again. So, I write with hope and anticipation for the possibilities of 2021!

Rutherford’s planned annual gatherings and activities, even though almost always outdoors, were not immune to the safety measures demanded by Covid-19 in 2020.

It was hard to first have to cancel our annual meeting (although the initial hope was only to have to postpone it). This meant not only *not* meeting, visiting, and sharing in person the latest news from the Board, but also not getting to throw Ron Johnson a retirement party.

And most Memorial Day venues adjusted to follow best safety practices and held celebrations online. It was sad to not see in person our esteemed Stillwater VFW Post 323. But, we flexed, and Rutherford’s 2020 online celebration can still be watched on Facebook (go to Rutherford’s Facebook page and search for ‘video’).

Our annual cleanup day was canceled, as were the summer and fall maintenance days. (To be sure, folks showed up when they could to help with maintenance, even as part of regular visits to loved ones.)

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Memorial Day 2020 flag raising

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Daylilies in bloom at front gate

Minnesota Association of Cemeteries (MAC) canceled their annual fall conference. And, sadly, any gatherings held for services were required to be limited in number according to executive orders.

It was a challenging year.

We did manage to hold a hybrid Fall Board meeting this past October. A handful of us gathered and masked in person and one board member joined virtually. We kept the meeting brief and were thankful for the hybrid option and its success. Among other Board business, Don Grund was appointed to be our ongoing salesperson. We are thankful for his enthusiasm, like Ron Johnson's before him, for connecting with folks who are interested in all Rutherford has to offer new members.

Also in 2020, in order to help call attention to the rules for maintaining the modest tone we seek to preserve on the grounds (always also found on the Bylaws page in the Rules section and in previous newsletter inserts), we added a new page to the website: <https://rutherfordcemetery.org/a-natural-environment/>.

Additionally, over the summer we were able to resolve the dirt mounds issue near the rear 'parking' area. Rick Buberl's team graciously helped us by first removing much of the dirt, then Dave Stone skillfully used his skid steer to finish the task.

With hopeful spirit for what 2021 may deliver . . .

We are always seeking and interested in new members joining the board. (Don's appointment to ongoing sales leaves an opening for Vice President, for example.) Officer and trustee terms expire annually, and we would be delighted to welcome new members and invite fresh perspectives and ideas. Board member duties can be read on the website here: <https://rutherfordcemetery.org/bylaws-and-rules/>. Please contact the Association to express your interest.

Due to COVID-19 we will not be holding our annual meeting as per usual this April. Our current plan is to hold a virtual meeting. Meeting specifics will be communicated to all members over the next few weeks.

And always with gratitude . . .

Thank you! Rutherford could not continue to shine as a small and outstanding neighborhood cemetery without help from the community and its generous members and volunteers. You donate your time, effort, energy, and dollars for the ongoing maintenance required to operate a functional pioneer cemetery, and it is appreciated. We are also grateful for our relationship with our neighbor, the Stillwater Evangelical Free Church community. **Thank you, All!**

As you make plans to visit Rutherford for any reason, please make yourself aware of any active executive orders that would apply (<https://mn.gov/governor/news/executiveorders.jsp>). And, as always, please visit Rutherford's website here <https://rutherfordcemetery.org/> and the Facebook page here <https://www.facebook.com/rutherfordcemetery/> – and please share these links with family and friends.

With appreciation,

JoEllen Lange, President, 2019-2022

In Memoriam

Our deepest sympathy to the families and friends of Association members who recently lost loved ones.

Daniel Antrim
George A. Benson
Galen Call
Vernon Chizek
Sharon Cunningham
Kathleen Mae Dodge
Michael C. Hall
Derrick Haussner
Angel Niaretto-Melgar
Clark Osojnicki
Luis Pena-Marrero
Shirley Ann Walker
Scott Zurn

Trustee in 2018 and we are so pleased to have her step into her new role as Treasurer.

Lori's transition to Treasurer left us with a need for a new Trustee. Rick Haussner answered the call and I look forward to having him join us as our newest board member.

Julie, we will miss your presence, but we know you remain in our community and are only a phone call away, and we thank you for your years of contributions! Lori, thanks to you for saying 'yes' to stepping into Julie's shoes. And, Rick, thank you as well for saying 'yes' to joining our board.

Sincerely,

JoEllen Lange, President, 2019-2022

Greetings Board and Members,



Julie LeMoine

This past year has been full of challenges for all of us. It certainly has been for me. Serving as Treasurer for Rutherford had enriched my life. My ancestors are buried there, my parents will be buried there, and so will my husband and me. Every time I drive past or have attended the Memorial Day Service, I have such pride and appreciation for those who have worked so hard to make Rutherford what it is today, and I am confident that it will continue.

Due to my current commitments to my family, it is time for me to step away, I do not feel I can fulfill the role and give it the attention that it needs. I have much confidence the new Treasurer will serve the Association well!

I have met and served with the nicest people over the years. I wish you all well and many blessings.

Sincerely,

Julie LeMoine

Board Member Transitions



To be sure, when you serve as a board member, you get to know the members personally and make special connections. So, in announcing the retirement of our Treasurer Julie LeMoine, we offer her our support and express our gratitude.

Julie has given her time and dedication to the position of Rutherford Association's Treasurer since 2005! Over these years, she has played an important role in our growth and success. Julie has deep ties to Rutherford's history and has, no doubt, made her family – and us – proud in her commitment and dedication to Rutherford's legacy.

Julie is passing her torch to our newly appointed Treasurer, Lori Swanson. Lori joined the board as a

Sales Update

Rutherford Cemetery plot sales and columbarium sales have been steady this year. A total of 3 niches and 16 lots were sold in 2020. We try our best to be helpful and sympathetic to people's needs. Rick Buberl and team removed the extra piles of fill for us, free of charge – for that we are incredibly grateful. Additionally, thanks to Dave Stone for his skid steer work to create a larger parking area in the back, this should better accommodate larger funerals. Dave is very giving in his time performing skid steer work during cleanup days as well. The folks who come out to water the plants and pickup fallen branches at the cemetery are very much appreciated, keep up the good work.

- Don Grund, Sales

Pre-Planning

Burial lots or columbarium niches may be purchased at any time, including, perhaps especially, for the purpose of preplanning. *Preplanning* offers unique benefits:

- Peace of mind knowing your wishes have been made known and arrangements have been made
- Comfort knowing your family will not have to make important decisions during the difficult time of initial grief
- Lessening the potential for disputes, hard feelings, or uncertainty over decisions
- Costs are covered at today's prices

Our current price list may be found on our website www.rutherfordcemetery.org/sales. For more information on purchasing a burial lot or columbarium niche, please call Don Grund at: 651-504-4202.

Plant-Life Donations

We ask that you keep in mind that all plant life donations must be made to the tree fund via checks mailed to Maxine or using the online option. There are currently no available locations for new tree placement. As trees are removed because they have reached their life span limit or are struck by disease/natural events, we will then be able to consider where we may have space for new plant life.

We know living memorials are meaningful; in the meantime, please consider planting your living memorial in your or a family member's yard.



In Appreciation

Our sincere thanks to those members who made monetary donations in 2020. We are grateful for your generosity.

Charles and Ute Bueller
Mike and Leslie Dorendorf
Linda Foth
Iona Holsten
Bonnie Howard
Fred and Ruth Kruger
Scott R. Kruse and Kim Cha Kruse
Julie LeMoine
Nick and Ann Mastrodicasa
J.C. and M.A. McComas
Janet K. Meisterling
Delbert and Barbara Mitchell
Sue and Jeff Olson
Michael and Diane Putnam
Ellen E. Reidt
John Rutherford
Ellen St. Sauver
Renee Salzbrenner
Cynthia Trefethren
Elizabeth Welke

Happiness, not in another place
but this place ... not for another
hour, but this hour.

Walt Whitman

Tributes

You have shared with us precious pictures of your loved ones, using your words to paint for us how their lives and your memories of them have left indelible imprints on your hearts. Thank you.

We plan to include this section in future newsletter issues. Submissions may be sent via email to newsletter editor/trustee julie.speltz@gmail.com.

Robert C. Collins

Remembered by W. Lock Collins

Submitted by Robert's daughter, Mary Ellen C. Becker



Bob was born in Iowa Falls, Iowa on October 16, 1923 to Zada and Edward Collins. He graduated from high school in Knoxville, Iowa in June of 1942. In high school, Bob was a varsity athlete in a number of sports as well as a lifeguard at the local swimming pool. As a member of "The Greatest Generation" Bob quickly joined the Naval Medical Corp which provided medical support to the US Marine Corp.

In early 1945, he boarded a troop ship bound for Iwo Jima and stepped foot on Iwo Jima after the initial invasion started. His job was to help set up a battlefield hospital as well as to accompany troops into battle as a medic as the Marines tried to gain control of the island. He was there to witness the well-known raising of the American Flag. Bob spent much of his time sleeping in foxholes and providing battlefield medical attention to wounded soldiers. Once Iwo Jima was secured, and the atomic bombs dropped in Japan, Bob was transferred to Japan as a member of the Allied invasionary force.

Bob attended Macalester College for two years and then transferred to the University of Minnesota where he earned his BS degree in Geology in December 1949. Bob went on to a successful career with the Industrial Mineral Products Division of Minnesota Mining.

Bob and his wife Sue lived most of their lives together in Stillwater, MN. In 1956, they bought a home on the North Hill and there they raised four children. Bob was an active member of the community supporting various organizations and the arts in Stillwater and the Twin Cities area. He traveled extensively for 3M, but also spent many weekends and vacations camping with his family throughout the US.

Margaret L. and Robert A. Grund

Remembered by Donald Grund

Both of my parents, Margaret and Robert Grund, are buried at Rutherford, my father first in February of 1998 at the age of 77. He worked for Honeywell. My mother joined him in June 2016 at the age of 96, she worked at Oak Ridge Nursing Home until hurting her back. When healed, she was a homemaker for Washington County.

Jon Francis

Remembered by his father, David Francis

In Rutherford Cemetery, the niche of Jonathan David Francis faces west, a place of tall mountains, that he loved, and where he died.

March 5, 1982. Jonathan David Francis. We had his name picked out for twenty-two years. His mother, Linda, and I were high school sweethearts. We often talked about a time when we would be married, have children together, and raise a family. We agreed to name our firstborn son Jonathan David. Jonathan is Hebrew for "God's gift" and David means "beloved."



1997 Stillwater High School - Minnesota State and National Champions Boys Cross Country Team



Jon was born in Northfield but raised in Stillwater. In high school he was a three-sport athlete and the youngest member of the 1997 national champion boys cross country team.

He was a Sunday School Teacher and a leader in Teens Encounter Christ (TEC). He majored in Religion in college then moved out west to serve as a Director of Youth Ministry in Utah and a Christian Camp Counselor in Idaho where he continued his love affair with nature- **God's beautiful creation**. Jon was on his way to seminary back here in Minnesota in the Fall of 2006. Sadly, he did not complete his journey.

On July 15, 2006, at just 24 years old, Jon died in a mountain climbing accident while descending from the summit of the Grand Mogul, in the Sawtooth Mountains in Idaho. Jon got it! He loved life. And he loved people.

He lived joyfully and loved boldly. Jon knew that we were not placed on earth to grab all of the objects, money, and status we can. We are born into this world to make a difference, to love God, and to love and serve others. Jon *got it!* That is how Jon Francis lived his brief life.

Reinhold "Reiny" Bud Guse

10-6-1921 ~ 6-24-2011

Remembered by Brenda Guse



Reiny was a sweet, gentle man. He was a dedicated family man to his wife, Ruth and his three sons: Ron (Ron), Rick (Brenda) and grandson Spencer, Randy (Peggy).

A World War II Veteran, he retired from Wells Fargo Bank as Vice President. He was a longtime supporter of Minnesota sports, an awesome fan, avid golfer and longtime member at the Stillwater Country Club and Travelers on the Mississippi (their summer home). He was a longtime bowler also, he won many awards! He was a longtime member of St. Paul Lutheran Church and was involved in many volunteer roles. His financial expertise helped many families! He loved to be outside tending to his yard in all Minnesota weathers. He will celebrate his 100th Birthday in Heaven this year. He is sadly missed by family.

Ronald “Ron” Wayne Guse

1-19-1957 ~ 4-17-1992

Remembered by Brenda Guse

Ron graduated from Stillwater High School in 1975. Ron was the eldest son of the three Guse Boys. He paved his own way. He was very talented in all sorts of hobbies, nice cars, cooking, home design, and gardening. He moved to California after high school and enjoyed the warm weather. He met his soulmate, Ron Griffith. They loved life together. They made a home together in Palm Springs, California. They also traveled in an RV throughout the United States. He had a couple of Cocker spaniel dogs which he loved very much! He is sadly missed by family.



Remembered by Ronald Wayne Griffith

I first met Ron Guse in the fall of “84” in Laguna Beach. A quick passing with friends (30 seconds). He was 28 and I was 30. Three weeks later I ran into him in Studio City (gay disco). I remembered him. He was talking to friends I knew. Something just seemed right. After talking to him for about 10 minutes I took him home with me. I was looking for a roommate at the time also. The more I talked to him, I wanted him to move in as a roommate. He wasn’t sure, seemed to have his own plan. After about 5 days of him staying with me, I suggested we make what would be his room a TV room and he share my bedroom (live together), he said YES. Three weeks later he was moved in. For the next three months we shopped a lot (furniture, dishes, etc.). He turned my house into our home. We even rebuilt the engine in his car.

Then we started having friends over for dinners, holidays, and pool parties. Ron cooked and I cleaned. At one of our dinner parties a friend who got frustrated when she called out the name Ron and we both answered, finally said, looking at me your “R1” and then at Ron Guse, you’re “R2”. From that point everyone knew him as “R2”.

We were together seven and a half years. The day he passed away our home turned into a house.

Scott Paul Zurn

Remembered by his wife, Lynn Zurn



Scott Paul Zurn was born to Robert and Arlene Zurn (Paul) on June 21, 1971. He was the baby brother of FIVE sisters and two brothers: Cheryl, Darryl, Nancy, Mary, Rob, Linda and Julie. “Scotty” was loved and grew up in a family that enjoyed the simple things in life. They took advantage of the “farmer’s land” in the neighborhood by playing capture the flag, statue-statue, skating, climbing trees, and making obstacle courses. Their family attended St. Mary’s of the Lake Catholic church and all the kids were part of catechism on Wednesdays and services on Sundays followed by family nights watching Lawrence Welk. The tradition continued as all of Scott and Lynn’s children were baptized and continued their religious instruction at St. Mary’s.

Scott grew up in Vadnais Heights attending Birch Lake Elementary, Central Junior High, and White Bear Lake Area High School. He enjoyed participating in Boy Scouts, youth sports and hanging out with friends.

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Scott was a born leader and had a fierce competitive spirit that served him well as he played basketball and football in high school. He was nominated as team captain his senior year for both sports. Scott attended Gustavus Adolphus College and majored in Geology. As a Gusty, he played football and was a natural athlete and a great team player. He also liked to sketch and did some notable paintings that were proudly displayed at his house. As part of his geological explorations, Scott was able to travel to the island of St. John, Virgin Islands, Bend, Texas, and New Mexico. His experiences and geology degree allowed him to work as an Environmental Geologist at Braun Intertec, Bay West, and Canadian Pacific Railroad.

Scott and Lynn LaValley met in 1994 when Rob's wife, Sharon, set them up on a blind date. It was love at first sight and they were married at St. Mary's in 1995. They lived in a cute apartment in St. Paul and worked to buy their first home and start a family in Como Park. Aidan was born in 1997 and "Chloe Bird" was born in 2000. As the family grew, they moved to a beautiful older house in St. Paul and welcomed Gavin in 2003. The family moved to Stillwater in 2004 and Grayson was welcomed to the family in 2005. The Zurn Family made a fun-loving home and surrounded themselves with many friends. The family stayed active in t-ball, baseball, basketball, soccer, football, lacrosse, and volleyball. The Zurn Cabin was a source of great pride and fun. It housed many memories with both sides of the family. The LaValley crew invaded and added to the family adventures. Scott looked forward to his annual winter weekend with the "Great 8." As a family, they traveled to Destin, Florida every year and enjoyed vacations in Montana and Colorado and many other states during several seasons of traveling baseball. As a couple, Scott and Lynn were able to get away on a few vacations to Cancun and Cabo San Lucas. Scott spent his time coaching, running, training for marathons, doing CrossFit, and playing basketball. He liked cooking dinner when he had the time and loved just hanging out with his family.

Scott was passionate about being part of the youth sports community which allowed him to coach his own kids and help develop a program that was challenging and dynamic for all his players. Scott's coaching history is extensive, and the players loved "Coach Zurn." To show his love of the game, he volunteered as a coach nearly every season his kids played and as the Football Commissioner for the VAA 2017-2019.

Scott was diagnosed with Stage IV Renal Cell Carcinoma in February 2020. He underwent treatments and endured side effects that challenged him physically and mentally. Scott's courage, determination and fighting spirit were fueled by the need to be there for his kids. He was proud to be a coach but being a dad is what made his heart full. Scott wanted to be remembered as a devoted father as well as a positive and productive member of the Stillwater community. He made his kids and coaching a priority and was dedicated to teaching the youth confidence, passion, and teamwork on and off the field. He spent his last days surrounded by those he loved and cherished and passed away with Lynn and their kids by his side. You will be dearly missed by all. Rest easy Scott.

Liam Kenyon Nelson

6/19/2011 - 3/22/12

Remembered by Jeff Nelson

Scooter enjoyed the little things and wanted to share. Liam knew how to play, be it Froggy, Mr. Moo Moo or another toy, he wanted to engage everybody in the room. Liam was game for just about anything. Shopping, OK, if we must, as long as I can people watch. Dad, how about working on your upper arms, throw me in the air, help me fly. Going to work with Mommy-no problem, I'll help, I can charm anyone and I get to be with you. Grandma Karen, one more time around on that blanket, I'm loving it. But be sure I get a turn with Colin and Keaton - they go faster. Grandma Shelli, spoil me, that's your job. Grandpa Carl, keep those movies coming. Ginny and Tony, I'm ready for my close-up now, but make sure Mommy and Daddy are in the photo too. Amaiah, here's a hug, but first let me pull your hair.



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An afternoon with Grandpa Jeff, yep I can wear him out. Liam's personality shined through. Recently he's been making faces on the side of his pack-n-play, through the screen bringing smiles to everybody around whenever Mommy said "piggy nose" - quite the performer. Ben, I imagine that Liam will soon be locating an easy chair, getting some big balloon tires for it and outfitting it with a 10 horse engine and having it ready for when you meet again to tear up God's backyard. Kayla, Liam can return all the immeasurable love you showered on him, in a bigger heavenly way. The beauty of Easter makes that possible, Liam may be out of reach for us now, but that's only temporary. He is with you every day, you have a scooter angel looking out for both of you-forever.



Rutherford Honors Society: **Darrell Benson**

Given Darrell Benson's roots in the Rutherford neighborhood and his leadership skills practiced as a student at Forest Lake High School and member of Future Farmers of America (FFA), logic and fate may have combined to bring him to help shape Rutherford Cemetery through the years.

Darrell is a descendant of Stephen Webster Powell on his grandmother's side, Marilla Powell Benson. Having come from this lineage, it makes sense that he knows from much lived experience what it means to have history in and direct ties to Rutherford Cemetery and the Association.



As a child in the early 1950s, Darrell lived for a handful of years in 'the old Powell house' with his grandparents Rilla and Martin Benson. It still sits only a half-mile north of Rutherford Cemetery, just west of Manning.

So, Darrell grew up in the Rutherford neighborhood and his family actively participated in Rutherford's growth and care. His grandmother Rilla was an active member of the Priscilla Club and later the Rutherford Cemetery Association serving as temporary chairperson, president, and then trustee. Among other family members who contributed as Rutherford officers and trustees were his dad Karl and uncle Ronald.

Darrell's memories of his activity at Rutherford begin many years before he was a member of the board himself, when at various and many times he was also trustee, vice president, and president of the Association.

He recalled the neighborhood men taking turns digging the graves, "probably in the 1950s . . . I was mostly watching." During one dig, he said, they found a skull in the soil. They speculated that when people traveling through the area experienced a loss, they would stop, dig, and bury the person before going on their way.

"the worst job – painting the old fence...if you stood down wind, you looked like the Tin Man."

He vaguely remembers the ice cream socials held when he was a kid, but he does remember "the worst job" – painting the old fence. He said Ron Johnson would supply the aluminum paint and every four years they would paint the fence not with a brush but with a pad – "and if you stood down wind, you looked like the Tin Man."

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After Darrell was out of the Air Force in 1969, he remembers going with his dad to all the annual meetings. He recounts that, at the time, these meetings were held in private homes, noting they had to be prudent in their planning and hold them in homes with gravel or paved driveways, else they would risk getting their cars stuck in the mud.

He brought handyman skills as a volunteer at Rutherford. He helped Ron Johnson in his task of locating lots in the winter by welding metal lot marker plates for easy discovery under the snow. He also created and installed the side railings for the concrete steps on the north side near the flagpole.

As a board member, he said one of the biggest ongoing concerns of the board was whether there would be adequate funds in the perpetual fund. They were thankful for the good interest rates of the 1970s; and they later learned they were able to use some of the money for improvements to Rutherford, which could include land purchase. So, in the early 1990s, he and his dad talked with Art Welander and got a commitment for the property, allowing the expansion of the Rutherford property to the east for future development.

As I learned of Darrell's stories of his involvement in Rutherford's growth and improvement as an adult, my sense is he is a down-to-earth and dependable person who appreciates commitment to a job done well and leaving a solid legacy.

Rutherford Cemetery proper and the Association have benefitted from Darrell's years of involvement and enduring loyalty. He no longer lives in the Rutherford neighborhood full time, so it's a pleasure to have him around for spring cleanup days and Memorial Day services when timing brings him back to the area. When you see him, please be sure to say, **Darrell, thank you for your commitments and contributions to Rutherford's sustainability and growth.**

Darrell's great-grandparents Stephen W. and Amanda Powell, grandparents Rilla and Martin Benson, uncle Ronald Benson, parents Karl and Lois Benson, and other family and ancestors are buried at Rutherford. For these histories and other information, visit RutherfordCemetery.org.

-JoEllen Lange, President, on behalf of Rutherford Cemetery & Columbarium Association, February 2021



Volunteers Needed

Because the terms of our board members are staggered, we are always in need of additional help, and gifts of talent and energy! We appreciate that Rutherford is dear to you, for whatever reason (we would love to know your 'whys') and we would welcome your input in planning for Rutherford's future while honoring its present and past.

Please consider joining the board. Visit the website to review the duties of the roles, www.rutherfordcemetery.org/bylaws-and-rules, and let us know if you are interested via email.



Rutherford Cemetery Board

JoEllen Lange	President, 2019-2022
Open	Vice President, TBD
Lori Swanson	Treasurer, 2021-2023
Leslie Dorendorf	Secretary, 2018-2021
Don Grund	Sales, Ongoing
John Rutherford	Trustee, 2018-2021
Betty Welke	Trustee, 2018-2021
Tom Lange	Trustee, 2019-2022
Jim Masterman	Trustee, 2019-2022
Julie Speltz	Trustee, 2020-2023
David Stone	Trustee, 2020-2023
Rick Haussner	Trustee, 2021-2022

Sales Phone: 651-504-4202



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Honoring Our Veterans

We Salute All Those Who Served or Are Serving Our Country in the Armed Forces

CIVIL WAR

Fairbanks, Joseph N.
Hall, Watson W.
Keene, John M.
Powell, Stephen W.
Ramsden, Jr. Thomas Peach
Rutherford Sr., William

SPANISH AMERICAN WAR

Masterman, Joseph N.
Rutherford Jr., William Henry

WORLD WAR I

Beecroft, Albert Ernest
Ramsden, Charles "Chas" J.
Rutherford, Lyle S.
Seifert, Frank L.

WORLD WAR II

Benson, Ronald Martin
Brosious Jr., James Elmore
Brosious, William A.
Carlson, Dale V.
Chizek, Shirley C.
Chizek, Vernon George
Collins, Robert C.
Gimmestad, Richard Allen
Grund, Robert A.
Guse, Reinhold "Reiny" Bud Ludwig
Guse, William R.

Jordan, Robert "Bob" Manseau
Kotoski, Avis
Kotoski Jr., Edward
Kruger, Fred E.
Marshall, Warren J.
Masterman, Royal James
Michaletz Sr., Raymond H.
Peterson, David LeRoy
Roth, Paul
Schilling, Clinton John
Schoonover, Charles A.
Stone, George D.
Stone, Ronald S.
Van Duren, Arthur Dale

COLD WAR

Speltz, Robert Louis

KOREAN WAR

Brosious, William A.
Derosier, Elmer
Joslin, Robert George
Kroening, Robert "Bob"
Krueger, Roland Henry
Lehmicke, Jr. Eugene
Maley, Ronald
Maroney, John "Joe"
Speltz, Donald
Wilfer, Robert "Bob" Anthony

VIETNAM

Colombo, Barrett Lorne
Benson, George A.
Donnohue, Alan
Michaletz, Jr. Raymond A.
Welke, Harold 'Skip'

VETERANS

Haire, Gerald Lee
Hurley, Dennis P.

SPECIAL MENTION

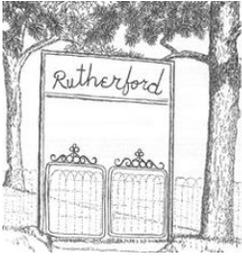
Cora Hall (nee Ramsden)

CURRENT MEMBERS

Benson, Darrell
Christison, Dean
Dahler, Jodi
Francis, David
Harper, Edward Harold
Johnson, Ron
Lange, Thomas Dr.
Luger, James D.
Olson, Jeffrey
Michaletz, Robert
Ramsden, Bruce
Siegler, Philip
Wright, James L.

Additional information including service branch, service dates and birth/death dates can be found on our website.

Rutherford Cemetery is the resting place for veterans dating from the Civil War and we want to make sure all veterans are acknowledged. Iona Holsten maintains our Veteran list so please contact her if you have any updates: ionajh@aol.com or 651-439-3708.



Leslie Dorendorf
1114 Owens St N
Stillwater, MN 55082

2021 Calendar of Events

Tuesday, April 27th 6pm

82nd Annual Meeting – Virtual Format: Due to Covid-19, the annual meeting will be held in a virtual format. Additional details will be forthcoming and communicated via email to association members.

Saturday, May 1st 9am

(inclement weather back-up day Saturday, May 8th)

Spring Cleanup Day: There is always something for everyone, so please join your fellow members in giving the grounds a good sprucing up. We will have several tools and supplies available, but buckets, rakes, shovels & gloves will no doubt come in handy. We will adhere to current social distancing guidelines.

Monday, May 31st 7am (Sharp!)

Memorial Day Services: Military service provided by Stillwater VFW Post #323. **Please note:** Due to Covid concerns, this event may be held virtually or with limited attendance. Members will be emailed with more details.

Wednesdays at 6pm

June 9th, July 14th, August 11th, September 8th

Monthly Cleanup Day: Please try to attend if you are able. All dates fall on the second Wednesday of the month at 6PM. We will adhere to current social distancing guidelines.

Members will be notified via email if any of these events are postponed and/or cancelled.

Follow our Facebook page for event reminders and updates.