

Robert J. Maurer

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BLOOMINGTON — Robert J. “Bob” Maurer, 95, Bloomington, passed away at 10:48 p.m. Friday (Jan. 7, 2011) at Westminster Village in Bloomington.

A memorial service to celebrate his life will be at 2 p.m. on Friday at Calvert & Metzler Memorial Home, Bloomington, with the Rev. Richard Bucher and the Rev. George Russell officiating. There will be no visitation. Private family inurnment will be held at a later date.

Expressions of sympathy should be made to the North Danvers Mennonite Church, 5517 E. 1950 N. Road, Danvers, IL 61732.

Bob was born on Oct. 12, 1915, in LaPorte, Ind., the son of Joseph and Mary Crooks Maurer. He married Verda A. Stahly on June 28, 1940, in McLean.

Verda, his wife of 70 years survives. He is also survived by their daughter, JoEllen Maurer (Jeff) Sandburg, Palm Coast, Fla.; son, Dr. Rob (Dr. Jody) Maurer, Fullerton, Calif.; granddaughters, Jorie (Matt) Orsi; and Anne, Lauren, Robyn and Erin Maurer; and great-granddaughter, Ella Eze Orsi.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers and two sisters.

After completing his undergraduate degrees in agriculture from Illinois State Normal University, and completing his graduate degree from the University of Illinois, he taught vocational agriculture. Later he headed the Farm Department at the Bluestem Bank in Fairbury for many years, as well as serving as vice president and then as a director.

Bob received recognition from the State of Illinois for his contribution to agriculture.

Bob was a member of North Danvers Mennonite Church in Danvers; the Fairbury and Bloomington Rotary Clubs; the Masonic Lodge; American Legion; and Bloomington Men’s Club. He was a World War II veteran, serving in the US Army.

Online condolences may be submitted from www.calvertmemorial.com.

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