



## George Henry Deverman

February 13, 1925 - February 29, 2020

George Henry Deverman, 95, of Greenview, Illinois, passed peacefully at Heritage Health in Springfield, Illinois, on February 29, the same date his mother passed forty-eight years ago, at 5 am, the same time his wife passed fifteen years ago. He was born on February 13, 1925, the son of Otto and Esther (Derry) Deverman at his home in Greenview. He married his high school sweetheart, Doris Mae Benjamin, on June 30, 1945, in New London, Connecticut, where he was stationed and served our grateful nation during WWII on the Blackfish U.S. Naval Submarine.

George was a lifelong resident of the Deverman farmstead established northwest of Greenview in 1878 by his grandfather Henry Deverman. Upon returning from the war, he began farming with his parents on the family farm. He contributed to the Menard County Illinois community throughout his life. A Master Farmer and dedicated leader, George received distinguished awards for his sixty years of continuous membership in the American Legion Post 116, Department of Illinois, service as former President of the Association of Illinois Soil and Water Conservation Districts, Menard County Soil and Water Conservation District, Illinois Commission on Forestry Development, Past Master of the Greenview Masonic Lodge, member of the New Salem Masonic Lodge, member of Scottish Rite and Clerk of Session at Greenview United Presbyterian Church. He was also an active member of the Historic Marbold Farmstead Association, Menard County Farm Bureau, Greenview Cemetery

Board, AMVETS Post 179 and Ansar Shrine Temple of Springfield.

George is survived by two sons, Gary (wife Arlene) Deverman of Reston, Virginia, and Ron (wife Mary) Deverman of Park Ridge, Illinois; a daughter, Denene (husband Ray) Crabbs of Fairfax Station, Virginia; his grandchildren, Michele (husband Joe) Hawkins, Cara (husband Mike) Filipiak, Michael Deverman, Scott (wife Emily) Crabbs, Brian (wife Chrissy) Crabbs and David (wife Kendra) Crabbs; and his great grandchildren, Grace, Joe, Madelyn, Minnie, Iris, Rachel, Ethan, Deacon and Bennett.

George was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, and his sister, Dorothy Conkling.

A visitation will be held on Friday, March 6, 2020, from 4 pm to 7 pm at Hurley Funeral Home, 122 W. Douglas Ave. Petersburg, Illinois. A Masonic service will immediately follow the visitation at 7 pm. A Celebration of Life Service will be held on Saturday, March 7, 2020, at the United Presbyterian Church, 111 S. Blaine St. Greenview, Illinois, at 10 am with Shane Hoerbert officiating. Burial will immediately follow the service at Elmwood Cemetery in Greenview with the Menard County Inter Veterans Ceremony Unit performing military burial rites.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in the memory of George Deverman may be made to the United Presbyterian Church at the address above and/or Historic Marbold Farmstead Association, P.O. Box 438, Greenview, Illinois 62642.

# Cemetery Details

## Elmwood Cemetery

Greenview, IL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 6. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Hurley Funeral Home - Petersburg  
122 West Douglas Avenue  
Petersburg, IL 62675  
(217) 632-2500  
<https://www.hurleyfh.com/>

## Celebration of Life

MAR 7. 10:00 AM (CT)

Greenview United Church  
111 S. Blane St.  
Greenview, IL

## Burial

MAR 7 (CT)

Elmwood Cemetery  
Greenview, IL



# Tribute Wall



“ *George Henry Deverman*

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October 12, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ *The Illinois State Society of Washington DC purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of George Henry Deverman.*



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**The Illinois State Society of Washington DC** - March 06, 2020  
at 12:46 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of George Henry Deverman.*



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March 05, 2020 at 01:27 PM

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“ Gary, Ron & Denene and families:

*Sorry to learn of your dad's passing. He lived a good long life and made the best of it in his later years. His contributions to the various organizations to which he belonged will long be remembered as well as the many acquaintances he met along the way. Your dad was always interested in our family and updates. One of my favorite memories of your dad and family was the "baler fish fry". How could I forget Aunt Esther's sour cream raisin pie. Wish all of you the best.*

*Phil & Helen Deverman  
phillipdeverman5203@comcast.net*

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**phillip deverman** - March 05, 2020 at 11:18 AM



“ Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of George Henry Deverman.



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March 04, 2020 at 07:46 PM

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“ *I truly enjoyed George. He was a wealth of knowledge and very close to my late uncle, Bud Godbey. We always discussed old times they had, and George had a heart felt laugh, that made you laugh with him. He will be missed in Greenview and surrounding communities. Sadly, that generation is very reduced now. RIP, George.*

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**Rick Setzer** - March 04, 2020 at 02:29 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of George Henry Deverman.*



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March 04, 2020 at 11:35 AM

RD

“ George Deverman stood out in my mind as a boy, as a representative excellent farmer and all round good man, husband and father in our rural farming community. But in his passing I now realize he was unusual for these numerous outstanding qualities that both he and his equally wonderful, energetic and joyful wife Doris passed down to their children and on further. I remember George and my father (just a year younger and also a Navy veteran of WW2) in lengthy spirited conversations at the numerous American Legion potlucks we all looked forward to attending, There, also in attendance were his endearing parents Otto and Esther representing the era before- with Otto's WW1 service; then returning to Greenview and its good earth to carry on the farming tradition. I text a friend after reading of Mr. Deverman's passing (by text Saturday morning) that both George and Doris always responded warmly to me from the time I entered First Grade with their daughter Denene, ever since a longtime friend. They asked questions and cared about my interests and endeavors and this continued through the years. These acknowledgements from admired adults in a community helps foster further productivity and reaching for goals from each generation. Somehow, I hadn't thought much about it until Saturday morning, but I then realized George Deverman was a class act. From his always appropriate appearance, to his presence at church, to the words he spoke in his unique tone and thoughtful way. . . As these chapters of lives fully lived close, we must learn and appreciate how much it means to a community to have men like George Deverman.

*Respectfully and in appreciation,  
Rodney B. Dimmick*

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**Rodney B. Dimmick** - March 03, 2020 at 02:54 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of George Henry Deverman.* ”



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March 02, 2020 at 10:31 PM