



Foch Louis Beebe

March 2, 1921 - March 17, 2022

Foch Louis Beebe, 101, of Central City, Iowa, passed away on Thursday, March 17, 2022, at the Ed & Joan Hemphill Hospice Unit at St. Luke's Hospital. In agreement with his wishes cremation has taken place and no funeral services are planned. Murdoch Funeral Home & Cremation Service of Central City is assisting the family.

Foch was born on March 2, 1921, in Coggon, Iowa, the son of Ivan and Melissa (Waters) Beebe. He was a 1939 graduate of Central City High School. While Foch was still in high school, he began working for Kenny, and Malon Mills at Mills Hardware in Central City. After high school he continued to work at Mills Hardware until the US entered into World War II. During those years Foch enjoyed dancing and was the drummer in a couple of local Swing Bands. My Dad imparted to me a passionate love of music, but not too much talent; and an avid interest and adequate skills in hardware/handyman technologies.

To aid in the United States' war effort Foch moved to California in 1943 and worked in radio technology for several years. When the war ended, he returned to Iowa and began his career at Collins Radio as an Electronics Technician. He worked for Collins/Rockwell for over 40 years until his retirement in 1984.

While on a skiing trip in Loveland, Colorado, Foch met Margarete "Margot" Schmidt, a beautiful, fiery woman from Cologne, Germany. He and Margot were united in marriage on May 4th, 1964, in Denver, Colorado. In 1965 Foch and Margot welcomed a baby girl, that they named Denise Margaret. The family made their lifelong home in Central City, Iowa.

Foch was a Hunter and Fisherman his entire life. He could pick a carp out of the Wapsi River, standing in a canoe, with a bow and a bowfishing arrow. Not to mention that he could wrangle the wisest Bass out of that fish's best hidey hole. He bow hunted deer every season for as long as I can remember. To Foch bow hunting in the autumn in Northern Linn County was the closest thing to heaven, and a completely peaceful existence that any human could achieve. He enjoyed it completely. Foch, of course, was a member of The North Linn Fish and Game Club. He will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved

him.

Foch is survived and lovingly remembered by his daughter, Denise Beebe Stuart (Grant) of Marietta, Georgia; two grandchildren, Jessie Pearl Stuart and Walter Eli Stuart both of Marietta; three siblings, Dixie Kenny of Central City, Iowa, Jack (Martha) Beebe of Arizona, and Hal Beebe of Central City, Iowa; brother-in-law, Don Wallace of Fairfield, Iowa; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Margarete Beebe; and three siblings, Dale Beebe, Jean Wallace, and Stanford Beebe.

We as a family would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to Max and Pat Bales, Judy Murray, and Dixie Marie.

Comments



“ Foch and Bebe Carpenter would come to Quasky Mart every Tuesday to eat broasted chicken. He was such a kind man, loved to go fishing. I would visit Foch at his home in Central City and take him to campground to have a picnic. He always loved being in the outdoors. Foch will be greatly missed.

Anita Arnold - March 31 at 11:50 AM



“ I remember liking to go downstairs to the basement of grandpa Foch's home and he'd let me peek through all his tackle boxes and fishing equipment. I would play with the couple fake worms he had as bait . One of them was very sparkly and caught my eye but he'd tell me about how the fish didn't really those. He and grandma Margot would measure the height of Brandon and I on one of the walls in the basement pantry. I remember he was trying to learn how to make a fire with just a bow and arrow and he finally did get it. I liked to run through the fresh laundry when they'd Hang them up on their lawn. So many little memories I have of those two. Thank you Denise for sharing your parents with us. They were such a huge part of our childhood.

alicia bales - March 30 at 10:13 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Foch Louis Beebe.



March 23 at 03:48 AM



“ Denise you may not remember me but my parents Charlotte and Rod Dunlap we're neighbors of your dad and mom Margo's in Central City around 1964/65. . I have pictures of you my sister Kathy and brother Gail in the sandbox. I remember clearly about your mother such a wonderful woman and your father he has lived a long life. You may be my sister's age or my brother's my sister now is 58 and Gail is 60. I'm in the middle child and I'm 62 now with Brenda being 66 I keep thinking she might've babysat you or helped your mom. My memory is not as good but I keep thinking that mom also helped your mom out and you come to our house. Please accept our sympathy for your dad . Sounds like he had a lovely life. Dad was actually working at the Lyn county conservation at Pinnacle Ridge when your parents lived in Central city and then we moved to Squaw Creek Park where he was the Associate Director for a few years and then in 1970 we moved to Johnson County Kent Park in Tiffin. You take care. Susan Dunlap/Rugger.

Sue Rugger - March 22 at 05:42 PM