



## John Edward Mensch

July 28, 1920 - December 10, 2010

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John Edward Mensch, 90, of Princeton, IL passed away at his home, surrounded by his family, at 5:42 p.m., December 10, 2010.

John was born July 28, 1920 in Dixon, Il. to Edward and Ruby (Snyder) Mensch. As a boy, he and his father worked the family farm north of Dixon. He graduated from Dixon High School in 1939. In 1942, as part of the Greatest Generation, he joined the Army and served in the Air Corps, attaining the rank of Staff Sergeant.

At the conclusion of WWII, John returned to Dixon and began work at the U.S. Postal Service. He married his wife of 63 years, Joanne (Gannon) of Dixon on February 7, 1948. In 1953, John and his young family moved to the Denver area, where he began his long career in agricultural sales. In 1962, the growing family returned to the Midwest, settling in Princeton.

He is survived by his wife, Joanne, and his children, Bill Mensch of Colorado, Jane (Rob) Edelman of New York, John G. Mensch and July (Jon) Fike all of Bloomington, Lisa (Tony) Nally-Adrahtas of Plainfield, 7 grandchildren and one great grandchild. He was preceded in death by daughter Monica Gustafson

(Irvin) and his sister, Irene.

John loved to play golf at Bureau Valley Country Club, where he had been a member since 1963. He was a life member of the Elks since 1945 in Dixon and 1963 in Princeton, where he and Joanne could frequently be found on Friday evenings having dinner with their many friends. He was also a member of the American Legion, Dixon chapter.

A gathering for friends and family will be held at Norberg Memorial Home in Princeton on Dec. 22, 2010 at 2pm. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to Friends of Strays, Inc., and Disabled American Veterans.

# Cemetery Details

**Sterling Wilbert Crematory**

Sterling, IL