



## Howard F. LaFleur

August 10, 1920 - January 23, 2014

Howard LaFleur, 93, of Oswego passed away at the Bickford in Oswego on Thursday Jan. 24, 2014. He was born on August 10, 1920, second child of Alfred and Theresa (May) LaFleur of Aurora.

He graduated from Marmion Military Academy in 1938. He served in the Navy from 1939 through 1945 being very active in WWII in the Pacific as a destroyer gunner. He survived the sinking of his ship, the Quincy, at the battle of Guadalcanal in 1942. He married Dorothy Kokart in 1944 and was a loving and very much loved father to their four children. His son Gerald preceded him in death in July of 1968, earning the Silver Star while serving in Vietnam. Dorothy preceded him in death in 1987. He married Mildred Millen Regnier in 1989 and lived 24 wonderful years with her in Montgomery.

He is survived by his wife, Mildred, his son Robert (Kathleen) LaFleur, his daughters Mary (Harold) Brunner and Carol (John) Cyr, twelve grandchildren, ten great-grandchildren, a brother Richard LaFleur, and sisters Elaine Schele and June Brucher.

He was preceded in death by Dorothy and Gerald, his brothers Father Alfred LaFleur and Kenneth LaFleur, and sister Shirley LaFleur.

The family would like to thank all of the staff at Bickford and Seasons Hospice

for their loving care in his final days.

In-State visitation will be held Tuesday, January 28, 2014 from 9:00 AM until 10:00 AM at St. Joseph Church, 722 High Street, Aurora, IL. Mass will follow at 10:00 AM with Fr. Jerome Leake officiating. Interment will follow at St. Joseph Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Joseph Cemetery

Corner of Rt. 25 and Indian Trail Road.  
Aurora, IL

# Previous Events

## In State

JAN 28. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Joseph Church  
722 High Street  
Aurora, IL 60505  
1-630-844-7380

## Funeral Mass

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Dear LaFleur family..my name is Jane VanHam but it was Janie Cook! Your next door neighbor on Lehnertz Ave! I was the youngest of the three Cook children. I just wanted to send my heartfelt condolences when I found out your dear father Howard passed away. I remember him so well as if it were yesterday. My fondest memory is your dad teaching me to swim in your pool! I went on to swimteams ,teaching and running pools for many years to come. Just like a navy man to pass on his love of the water. My girls even swim,dive and taught in pools as well! Your dad was so sweet and kind, your family is some of my fondest memories of my childhood. Your dad holds a special place in my heart! with prayers and love.....Jane (cook) VanHam

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**Jane (Cook) VanHam** - January 28, 2014 at 12:00 PM

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“ To the LaFleur family, you have our deepest condolences. I remember Howard as one of the nicest neighbors when I was growing up on Lehnertz Ave. A very nice man. Our prayers are with you. Leah (Cook) Thompson and Tom Thompson

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**Leah (Cook) Thompson** - January 27, 2014 at 02:26 PM

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“ Rest In peace, Uncle Howard. Always a kind man with a generous heart, I know that you are now in the arms of our Lord. Love and prayers, Mary Michele LaFleur

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**Mary LaFleur** - January 26, 2014 at 10:09 AM



*Mary lafleur I am a distant cousin trying to get ahold of your family as I have pictures of grma n grpa Alfred n Theresa ..aunt trace lafleur .. I am a descendent of katie may , Theresa's sister*

**wanda vahle** - February 12, 2014 at 03:06 PM



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**wanda vahle** - February 12, 2014 at 03:08 PM



“ *European Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Howard F. LaFleur.*



January 25, 2014 at 12:51 PM