



Vernon Duane Roble

November 22, 1923 - September 28, 2021

Vernon Duane Roble, age 97, of Spring Grove passed away Tuesday, September 28, 2021 at Gundersen Tweeten Care Center.

He was born November 22, 1923 to Carl and Odella (Qualey) Roble and baptized in Wilmington Lutheran Church.

He graduated from Caledonia High School in 1941. Upon graduation he worked for Boeing in Seattle, Washington from 1942 to 1943. He enlisted in the Navy and served 1945 to 1947. After discharge he worked for Trane in La Crosse from 1948 to 1949.

He married Georgia Metcalf on April 24, 1948. He farmed in rural Caledonia from 1949 to 1961. In 1961 he purchased a farm in rural Spring Grove and farmed until his retirement in 2004.

He was proud of his registered Jerseys and received numerous milk production awards. At the age of 65 he sold his Jersey dairy cattle and began raising beef cattle. He then had time to for other interests. He began to golf and was active in Sons of Norway. He and his wife traveled to Norway, Alaska, Hawaii, California, Texas to name a few. He also became very proficient at wood carving. He showed these carvings and demonstrated wood carving at several Spring Grove events over the years.

He is survived by two sons Mark Roble of New Brighton, Stuart (Rebecca) Roble of La Crescent and son-in-law John Gunelson of Wayzata. One granddaughter Melissa (Joe Nelson) Gunelson of Minneapolis, Michael (Erica) Gunelson of Shakopee, Tim Roble of Minneapolis, Joe Roble of New Brighton.

Kevin Roble of Boca Raton Florida and Kyle Roble of Brooklyn Park. Four great-grandchildren Violet, Milana, Maddox and Zaleah.

He was preceded in death by his parents, wife Georgia, sister Eloyse, brothers Lowell and Orvin, daughter Vera and an infant son Tim.

Cemetery Details

Wilmington Lutheran Cemetery

Caledonia, MN 55921

Tribute Wall

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“ Vernon was an exceptional farmer and mentor. I worked for Vernon and Georgia the summers of my high school years. Years back, I brought my wife and children to meet them and to show my kids where I worked growing up.

When we arrived, Vernon was greasing his chisel plow. I asked him if he was heading into the field today. His response was 'rained a 1/2 inch last night. You know better than that.'

I've told that story to people I've worked with over the years. Those from farming communities always smile and agree that they miss that demand for common sense and straight talk.

David Roble

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