



Robert Clayton Rosekrans

August 22, 1919 - January 11, 2021

Robert Clayton Rosekrans, 101, passed away on January 11, 2021 at Pine Haven Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Philmont, NY.

The only child of Clayton James Rosekrans and Angie Katherine Cowell, Robert was born on August 22, 1919 at the Rosekrans family homestead in Erin, NY. He met his wife to be Elma and the couple were married on August 17, 1941 at Taughannock Falls in Ithaca, NY. Robert graduated from Horseheads High School in June of 1938 and attended the New York State College of Agriculture at Cornell in Ithaca, NY. Robert maintained the Rosekrans farmstead, a Chemung County Century Farm in Erin, NY for many years and served as Erin town councilman. In addition to farming Robert also worked for the Remington Rand Typewriter Company in Elmira, NY and was employed for 25 years with the Phelps Dodge Corporation in South Brunswick, NJ .

No matter where Robert lived his love for agriculture and gardening always showed through. In the back yard of his little house in the NJ suburbs, on his farm in Homer or even by tilling up the lawn outside his retirement building in Dryden; he was always finding a place to plant vegetables and flowers. Robert was such a "green thumb" with African Violets that he donated many of his cuttings to the local Grange and was even able sell them to local nurseries. Robert was a Christian and was baptized in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

Robert is survived by his daughter, Janet Rosekrans, grandson Benjamin A.

Otten and Jessica S. Otten and great grandchild Charlotte Laurel Otten. As well as his niece Lisa Wilson, and nephew Ross Cortright. Robert was predeceased by his wife of 40 years Elma Eva Yenei and his first-born daughter Julia Ann Otten.

Funeral services will be private at the request of the family.

In lieu of flowers donations can be sent to:

Dryden Grange, 62 Yellow Brick Rd, Freeville, NY 13073,

Dryden Senior Citizens, PO Box 754, Dryden, NY. 13053.

Tribute Wall

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“ Janet, my Dad called me today to tell me of your Dad's passing. I remember your Dad's kindness when I was a child. My condolences to you at this difficult time.
Wishing you peace in your heart.
Your forever friend, Jean Evenden Zarccone

Jean M Zarccone - January 22, 2021 at 04:06 PM

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“ Barbara Ann Lyons lit a candle in memory of Robert Clayton Rosekrans



Barbara Ann Lyons - January 17, 2021 at 10:41 PM