

Robert Bauer

Robert H. Bauer was born on April 25, 1933 to George and Florence Bauer on a farm outside of Stockton. He passed peacefully on January 7, 2009 at his home. Bob graduate from Stockton High School in 1951 where he enjoyed playing football, basketball and softball.

In 1953 the Army sent him to Korea. After being injured he spent his remaining months there pitching softball for the hospital's team. After returning from Korea he held a variety of jobs including rural mail carrier, bricklayer, referee, lifeguard in Florida. He also ran a concession stand in the Stockton Park that was a favorite for all the kids. For over 50 years he was the owner and operator of Bauer Agency where he was a real estate and insurance broker holding several designations (GRI, CRS, CRB, LUTC) part of Bauer-Osterday Leisure homes he built over 100 A-frames during the beginning days of Apple Canyon Lake and the Galena Territories. He loved to travel, and visited over 30 countries, but his favorite was Alaska where loved to fish for halibut. After retirement he found plenty of things to keep him busy. If he wasn't doing a puzzle he was watching his favorite Chicago team the Bulls, the Bears and the Cubs with his pup Abby in his lap. He was a great golfing enthusiast and loved playing on different courses around the country. Woodworking was one of his favorite hobbies. "Better Built Birdfeeders by Bob Bauer" he called his creations. He loved talking to folks as he served up BBQ chicken at Stockton's 4th of July celebration.

Bob was preceded in death by his mother and his father and his brother, Lendelle. He

is survived by Elizabeth, his significant other; his three children, Fawn (Chuck Young) Bauer of Washington/Alaska, Robin (Janet Amling) Bauer and Jay (Kim) Bauer of Stockton; as well as five grandchildren, Drew, Dillon and Austin Bauer and Forrest and Kiana Young. Services were held Saturday, January 10, 2009 at the Hermann Funeral Home, Stockton, Ill. with the Rev. Marjorie Drickey officiating. Burial was in Ladies Union Cemetery.