

**Peter Helmin, 93**  
**Foley, MN**  
**June 29, 1923 - Nov. 2, 2016**

Peter Helmin, age 93, of Foley, died Wednesday, Nov. 2, 2016, at the Foley Nursing Center. Mass of Christian Burial was 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 8, 2016, at SS. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, Gilman. The Rev. Leo Moenedick officiated. Burial with full military honors by Foley American Legion was in the parish cemetery. Service with dignity provided by Foley Funeral Home.

Peter Valentine Helmin was born June 29, 1923, in Gilman the son of Adam and Selma (Imborski) Helmin. He proudly served his country in the United States Air Force from 1943 until 1945 including Air Offense in Normandy. On Feb. 13, 1965, he was united in marriage with Emma Patnaude in Mil-

bank, S.D. The couple lived in St. Cloud for 35 years where Peter worked construction and did plaster work. He retired in 1983 and in 1994, moved to Bemidji for eight years. He was a man of the outdoors, enjoying hunting and fishing as well as a good game of cards. Peter was a member of the Gilman VFW, Waite Park American Legion and SS. Peter and Paul Catholic Church.

He is survived by his siblings: Josephine Kvittem of Rochester, Imelda Lieser of Paynesville, Sylvester (Jean) of Foley, Ann Sluss of Circle Pines and Frank (Elaine) of Foley; sister-in-law Renee Helmin of Rice; as well as many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Emma in 2002 and siblings: Marie, Connie, Odilia, Chester, Al and Collette.

“Our Country Is In Mourning, A Soldier Died Today”