

## *Reinhold A. Bents (Reinie)*

Reinhold A. Bents, 74, of Cumberland, died Saturday, April 17, 1999, at Luther Hospital in Eau Claire. He was born on April 17, 1925 in Almena, WI, to Rev. Gerd and Marie (Stelter) Bents.



At the age of 11 he moved with his family to Stewart, MN. Reinhold graduated from Stewart High School in 1942. In September 1943 he was inducted into the Army and served his country in the Pacific Theater of War. He was discharged in January of 1946. Upon return from the service he worked at Bents Motor Service in Comstock.

On December 30, 1947, Reinhold was married to Rosella E. Cordes at Zion Lutheran Church in rural Almena. He then worked for Reynolds Aluminum in Chicago, IL, until he entered UW-Stout in September 1948. He graduated in January 1952.

Upon moving to Racine, WI, he taught at the vocational school for over five years. He then moved to Minneapolis, MN, where he was employed by Ford Motor Company, with his office in Dearborn, MI. He traveled for Ford as a service representative, service instructor and teams auditor.

In 1967 Reinhold moved to Eau Claire where he taught auto mechanics for 4 years at Chippewa Valley Technical College and then for 16 years was the Coordinator of Trade and Industry and the Apprenticeship programs. During this time, he also received his Master's and Education Specialist's degrees from UW-Stout.

Upon his retirement, he moved to Cumberland. Reinhold served as Vice President and President of Barron Co Retired Educator's Association, was on the First Lutheran Church Council and was a Past Commander of VFW Post 6769 of Cumberland and a member of the Anderson-Thomson Post #98, American Legion.

DOB: April 17, 1925  
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Wisconsin, USA

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Wisconsin, USA

Married: December 30, 1947  
Spouse:  
Rosella E. Cordes Bents (1927 - 2009)

Burial: [Zion Lutheran Church Cemetery](#)  
Almena - Barron County Wisconsin, USA

