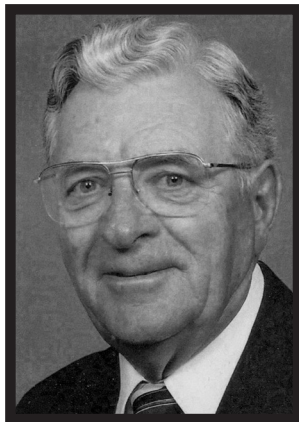


Robert L. Carlson

October 16, 1916 – February 1, 2009



Bob will be fondly remembered for his joy of life, his positive and uplifting attitude and his care and concern for others. He devoted his life to working with and helping people.

Bob graduated from Newbury High School, Cushing Academy, and the University of Vermont. He earned his degree in agriculture and received his commission as a 2nd Lieutenant in the United States Army. While at UVM, he was an outstanding pitcher for the baseball team and set records that remain to this day. His accomplishments were later recognized when he was inducted into the UVM Athletic Hall of Fame. Upon graduation from UVM in 1942, Bob served in the military for four years, with action both in the Philippines and Japan.

He began his career with the University of Vermont Extension Service as the Chittenden County Agricultural Agent, a position he held for 29 years. His service and dedication to Vermont Agriculture was recognized with numerous awards and citations, including the "Distinguished Service Award" from the Vermont Bankers Association, the "United States Department of Agriculture Award", and the "Wallace Award" for outstanding service from the Vermont State Farm Bureau. He was also inducted into the Vermont Agricultural Hall of Fame.

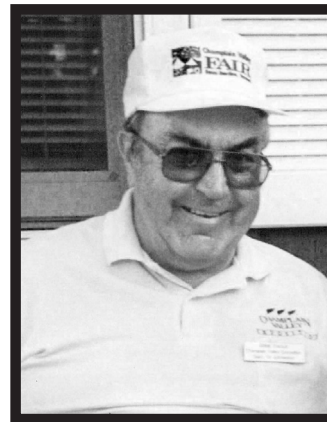
Bob was a great supporter of the Champlain Valley Exposition. He served on the Board of Directors from 1961 to 1976 and volunteered at the Maple Sugar House at the Fair for many years. An active supporter of the maple sugar industry in Vermont, Bob was recognized with the "Robert L. Carlson Maple Sugar Makers Appreciation Award".

His wife Bernice predeceased Bob; he is survived by his daughter Dorothy Durochia and son Donald, five grandchildren, and seven great grandchildren.

Ernest J. Dague, Sr.

March 4, 1925 – April 14, 2009

Fifty Years at the CVE



Ernie was born in Burlington and graduated from Edmunds High School. He served in the United States Army during World War II. Ernie worked for Vermont Railway for many years, retiring as a claims adjuster. He was also the proprietor of the Welcome Inn Restaurant in Burlington (now known as Shanty on the Shore.) Ernie served as superintendent of the Burlington School District from 1966 to 1970 and was a founding member of both the Boys and Girls Club of Burlington and Vermont State Boxing Control Board.

Ernie's lifelong love of sports began at a young age. He was a pitcher and rover for Myer Colodny's Class A Fast Pitch softball team and later played with the VFW Post #782 team. He was an enthusiastic supporter of the Boston Red Sox.

Ernie had a great love for the Champlain Valley Fair. Every year, he would spend a week of vacation serving in the Department of Admissions, where he also served as superintendent for many of his 50 years at the Exposition.

Ernie was many things to many people, but his family and friends were his top priority. He is survived by his daughter Judith Bouffard and daughter-in-law Betty Dague, eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his son "Butchie" and daughter Darlene.