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SERVICES: Memorial service will be 11 a.m. Thursday, July 5, 2001, in the First Lutheran Church in Ely. Entombment will be in Sunrise Memorial Park in Hermantown. Arrangements are by Kerntz Funeral Home in Ely.

Toivo M. Lofberg, 84, of Ely died Wednesday, June 13, 2001, in the Ely-Bloomenson Community Hospital.

He was born Oct. 11, 1916, in Ely to Isaac and Adolphina (Koskimaki) Lofberg. He was an Army veteran of World War II, having served in the Pacific Theatre of operation with the 96th Infantry Division and was in the initial assault force landings on Leyte Island in the Philippines and Okinawa. He was a graduate of Ely Memorial High School, was employed by the City of Ely from 1932-1977 when he retired, and was an avid cross country skier. He was a past member of the VFW Post No. 2717. Toivo was a very dedicated loving son, brother and uncle.

Survivors include a sister, Helia Goard of Ely; nieces, Lorraine Hanala of Tower, Marian Pelto of Baxter, Minn.; nephews, Edwin E. Anderson of Phoenix, OR., David Lundein of Duluth and Peter Marines of Nashville, Tenn.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, John Lofberg; sisters, Edith Marines, Saima Anderson and Jennie Lundein.