



## Richard Varey

September 15, 1924 - February 26, 2023

Richard Varey, age 98. Proud Army Veteran WWII, 1st Infantry Division Big Red One, Silver Star Recipient. Married for 72 years to the love of his life, Cecilia, nee Riley before her passing in Feb. of 2018. Beloved father of Mary Kay (George) Kacmarek, Downey (Linda) Varey and Tom (Janis) Varey. Dear grandfather of Amy (Jim)Lamer, Dana O'Hara (Damien), Katherine Anne Varey, Peter (Christina) Varey, Patrick Varey and Alison (Mike) Newell. Proud great grandfather of Madison, Lea, James, Ryann Lynn, Bradley, Avery and Charlie. Visitation is Saturday, March 4, 2023 from 9 AM until time of Service at 11: 15AM at Foran Funeral Home, 7300 W. Archer Ave.(55th street just west of Harlem). Entombment St. Mary Cemetery, Garden Mausoleum. In lieu of flowers, donation in Richard's memory to Little Sisters of the Poor St. Joseph's Home, 80 W. Northwest Highway, Palatine, IL.60667, [littlesistersofthepoorpalatine.org](http://littlesistersofthepoorpalatine.org) or Providence Life Services Hospice, 18601 North Creek Drive, Tinley Park, IL 60477, [amosoriak@provlife.com](mailto:amosoriak@provlife.com) would be greatly appreciated. Please offer your memories and condolences to Richard's family on his personal tribute website at [www.foranfuneralhome.com](http://www.foranfuneralhome.com).

### Richard's Citation for SILVER STAR

Richard Varey, 36662388, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company G, 18th Infantry. For gallantry in action in the vicinity of Heppenbach, Belgium, 28 January 1945. When his squad was taken under an intense machine-gun and small- arms barrage in an attack against a hostile strongpoint, Sergeant Varey skillfully deployed his men in positions to provide effective covering fire.

Although painfully wounded, he then courageously advanced and with hand grenades and accurate automatic fire inflicted sever casualties on the enemy and forced the group to surrender. Sergeant Varey's aggressive and gallant actions reflect great credit upon the Army of the United States. Residence at enlistment: Chicago, Illinois.

GO No. 92,  
Hq 1st US Inf Div,  
17 May 1945.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Mary Cemetery

87th Street & Hamlin Avenue  
Evergreen Park, IL 60805

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAR 4. 9:00 AM - 11:15 AM (CT)**

Foran Funeral Home - Summit  
7300 West Archer Ave  
Summit, IL 60501  
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## Funeral Service

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# Tribute Wall



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“ *I was the Compensation and Benefits Director for the American Medical Association for 28 years. It was my privilege to have Richard's wife Cecelia report to me as the AMA nurse for most of that time. Well, she let me believe that I was her boss during that time. With her nursing and people skills, I learned quickly to leave her do her job while I found other problems to occupy my time. At the end of the day in the old AMA building, I often found myself walking out the door with her. And, there was Richard patiently waiting in the car for her to appear. No matter the time or traffic, we always found time to chat a minute. Richard always had something cheery to relate which made my commute home to Lisle more pleasant. For a while, I believe we were the only Lisle employees at the AMA. May God continue to find favor in both of them and their family.*

*George Banas*

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