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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Clyde D. Sedam of Andalusia, who passed away on October 5, 2016; and

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WHEREAS, Clyde Sedam was born in Buffalo, Iowa to C. Lester and Emma Verstring Sedam on April 30, 1920; he married Lola L. "Peggy" Garvey in Rock Island on November 1, 1947; and

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WHEREAS, Clyde "Blondie" Sedam served in United States Army during World War II from January of 1942 to October of 1945; he was the last living member of "Spearhead" 3rd Armored Division, Company A; he landed on Normandy Beach and served in the European Theater; he was a POW and was liberated by American Troops; he was a recipient of the Bronze Medal; and

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WHEREAS, Clyde Sedam and his wife moved to Andalusia in 1951 to raise their family; he was employed at the I.H. Farmall Works in Rock Island for over 33 years; he retired in 1980; he farmed the family farm from 1971 to 1994; in the later years, he farmed with his brother, Clark; and

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WHEREAS, Clyde Sedam was an Andalusia Volunteer Fireman and served as Assistant Chief; he served as the Road Commissioner for Andalusia Township; he was a member of Community Baptist

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1 Church in Andalusia and Reynolds American Legion Post 1166; he  
2 served as Scoutmaster for Troop 220 Boy Scouts of America; and

3 WHEREAS, Clyde Sedam enjoyed gardening, fishing, drafting  
4 house plans, and spending time with family and friends; and

5 WHEREAS, Clyde Sedam was preceded in death by his parents;  
6 his son, Daryl Sedam; his son-in-law, John Balmer; his sister,  
7 Lucille Nebiker; and his sister-in-law, Ressa Mae Sedam; and

8 WHEREAS, Clyde Sedam is survived by his wife, Lola "Peggy";  
9 his children, Brenda (Ted) Billingsley, Donald (Kathy) Sedam,  
10 and Bonnie Balmer; seven grandchildren; 13  
11 great-grandchildren; his siblings, Caroline (Jake) Gluba,  
12 Clark (Shirley) Sedam, and Chester Sedam; his brother-in-law,  
13 Roy Nebiker; and many nieces, nephews, and other family;  
14 therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL  
16 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
17 Clyde D. Sedam, and extend our sincere condolences to his  
18 family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it  
19 further

20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
21 presented to the family of Clyde Sedam as an expression of our

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1 deepest sympathy.