

The Eastwood Hall of Fame 2020

GEORGE BRINKER

George Brinker served his country and local community well. He was born October 29, 1923 on the Lemoyne Road family farm and was schooled at Troy Township School. He served honorably in World War II returning to raise his family in Luckey. He had a successful bridge building and excavation business. George used his skills and time to contribute to the creation of the Eastwood community. George married Donna Rollins. Their children are Diane, EHS 1969, and David, EHS 1971. George was kind, fun-loving, and fierce in his loyalties. He believed in public education, being practical, and never giving up. He himself was always a 'bridge' in the community.



- On Eastwood School Board eight years from 1962-1970; president for four years Eastwood Jr. High was decided upon, levy obtained, and broke ground during his presidency
- Troy Township School Class President sophomore and junior years; finished his education by attending the Civilian Conservation Corp.
- Enlisted at age 19 in the Army Corp of Engineers 1942 – 1945; received the Purple Heart Award, and in a separate action, the Bronze Star for Bravery for building a bridge under enemy fire; Honor Flight to Washington DC at age 89
- On Building Committee for Luckey's Post 240 Legion Hall; member over 75 years, Commander two years
- Founding member of Luckey Kiwanis, member for 50 years; helped start the annual Luckey Fall Festival; Troy Township Trustee, eight years; facilitated building of the current fire station
- Designed and built nearly 60 lasting "Brinker Bridges" from roads to farmers' lands in NW Ohio