

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**A brave combat veteran of the storied 10th Mountain Division who recently died destitute will be honored with a "Beer and Brats" fundraiser on November 2, 2014 at St. John the Baptist Orthodox Church in Post Falls.**



**Jim Ayers, who served in the 10th Mountain Division during World War II as the United States Army fought its way across Italy, recently died destitute and without any surviving family members and his funeral costs were paid by a generous anonymous donor. St. John the Baptist Orthodox Church is holding a memorial "Beer and Brats" fundraiser to reimburse this donor for those costs.**

**According Jennifer Dancy, spokesman for the St. John Antiochian Sisterhood and sponsor of the memorial, "Jim Ayers touched many lives during his time on earth. As a church and a community, we feel indebted to this heroic combat veteran, and have eagerly assumed the costs of his funeral. A Beer and Brats is a living memorial and a fitting way to preserve the memory of this gallant soldier."**



**This fundraiser will be held on Sunday Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> from 1-3 PM at St John the Baptist Orthodox Church in Post Falls located at 4718 E. Horsehaven Avenue. Visit <http://www.stjohnorthodox.org/directions.html> for directions.**

**Dancy requests that Inland Empire TV stations live coverage this memorial event.**

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