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John L. Mosher is a distinguished United States Army World War II veteran. After being drafted in March 1945, he dutifully reported to basic training in Blanding, Florida. From there, he sailed to Naples, Italy, as a Rifleman and Mortar Gunner in Company H of the 88th Division of the 350th Regiment. Later, Mr. Mosher served in Tarcento, Italy, as a post-war peacekeeper on the Yugoslavian border. He was discharged in December 1946 as a Private 1st Class.

Mr. Mosher was awarded for his sacrifice and honor in the field with numerous medals and ribbons, including the Army Good Conduct Medal, American Campaign Theater Ribbon, the European-African-Middle Eastern Theater Ribbon and the World War II Victory Ribbon.

Mr. Mosher has a personal motto which has guided him during his military service and beyond – “God put us here to help others.” For 45 years, he has been active with the American Legion Post 838 in various roles, from Post Commander to Post Board of Directors. Each and every year, he participates in both the Clarence Memorial Day Parade and the Clarence Center Fireman’s Labor Day Parade.

Mr. Mosher was active with the Clarence JCs, Clarence Chamber of Commerce and Clarence Center Citizens Sewer Task Force. He has been President of St. John’s Lutheran Home for Children for 10 years, serving as a board member for 43 years. He has been instrumental in developing a Continuum Care Community at Niagara Lutheran Health Center, which provides great value to his community.

John Mosher is a resident of Clarence. He and his late wife, Althea, have three children – Linda, David and Carol – as well as six grandchildren and one great-grandson.