



Thomas Ditterline

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Thomas E. Ditterline, 84, died at 10:35 a.m. Wednesday, May 23, 2012 at Jerseyville Manor in Jerseyville. Born January 9, 1928 in St. Louis, MO, he was the son of Leslie C. and May L. (Swanson) Ditterline. Thomas enlisted in the Army, January 9, 1946 on his 18th birthday. He became a Medic in the Army Air Corps, transporting wounded soldiers throughout the United States. He retired as an operation engineer from Shell Oil Company in Roxana after 35 years of service. Thomas was an award winning amateur photographer and avid gardener, sharing his produce with family, neighbors and the Crisis Food Center in Alton. He also loved to travel with his wife Lois and enjoyed hunting and fishing with his family. On June 6, 1949 he married his childhood sweetheart, Lois N. Renner. She preceded him in death on February 14, 1998. Surviving is a son and daughter-in-law, Steven and Patricia Ditterline of Moro, a daughter, Nadine Ditterline of Alton, a granddaughter, Sarah Riley (Tom) of Glen Carbon, a great granddaughter, Shannon Riley of Glen Carbon, two sisters, Gloria Justis (Wilbur) of Decatur, and Sally Stephens (Paul) of East Alton, a brother, John Ditterline (Pam) of Godfrey, and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, wife, and a sister, Shirley Glenn. Visitation will be from 9:00 a.m. until time of funeral service at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, May 26, 2012 at Gent Funeral Home in Alton. Burial will be at Rose Lawn Memory Gardens in Bethalto. Reverend Carl Cook and Reverend Ralph Corwin will officiate. Memorials may be made to the Crisis Food Center or the Alzheimer's Association. Online guestbook and information may be found at www.gentfuneralhome.com

