



## Roy Dale Thatcher

August 8, 1923 - October 28, 2012

Services: 10:30 a.m. Friday, Nov. 2, at Montgomery-Viets Funeral Home, Buffalo. Visitation: 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, at the funeral home.

Burial is in Missouri Veterans Cemetery, Springfield, at 1 p.m. Friday.

Roy Dale Thatcher, 89, March, was born Aug. 18, 1923. He died Oct. 28, 2012, after a short battle with a failing heart.

In his youth, he was drafted and sent overseas at 19 years old to help the fight in World War II. After being wounded and sick during his tour of duty, he came home and resumed civilian life.

A job at the local gas utility company in Chicago gave him a 25 plus year career that allowed him to fulfill his dreams of moving to Missouri and enjoy family, friends, animals and nature.

He was married to Mary Lou Retzman in 1949 in suburban Chicago.

He and his wife had been resident farmers for over 30 years in March. They learned about the area after visiting friends who farmed here and eventually bought their property in 1970. The family moved here from the Chicago suburbs in 1979.

He loved his life and will be fondly remembered by all who knew him.

He was preceded in death by his sister, Dorothy; and three brothers: Lewis, Clarence Jr. and Ralph.

Survivors include his wife of 63 years, Mary; three sons: James, Thomas and John; and two sisters: Marge Speer and Nancy Cerny.



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“ You and the family are in our thoughts and prayers. With God's Blessings ~ Liza, Michael, and Cindy

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