



Bridges Samuel James

October 18, 2003

James Samuel Bridges, Jr., 84, of Sunrise Beach, MO, passed away Saturday, October 18, 2003, at Lake Regional Hospital after a four-week illness. Jim was born September 22, 1919, in Kennett, Missouri, the son of James S. Bridges, Sr. and Rosie Johnson Bridges.

Jim was united in marriage in 1954 with Phyllis Williams, and she preceded him in death earlier this year. He was also preceded in death by his parents, five brothers, and two sisters.

Jim was a retired supervisor for the Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District and moved to Sunrise Beach upon his retirement in 1984. He served several years during World War II with the United States Army Air Corps, 8th Air Force, North Africa ETO. He was the recipient of numerous medals, including the Purple Heart. He was a member of the American Legion and V.F.W.

He is survived by two sons, James S. Bridges, III, and Dennis Bridges, both of Patterson, California; two grandsons, James S. Bridges, IV, and Dennis Bridges, Jr., plus three great-grandchildren, all from California; his brother, Daniel W. Bridges, of Sunrise Beach, Missouri; two sisters, Mary Ann Stockton of Kennett, Missouri, and Ophelia Ostrom of Seabrook, Maryland, plus many nieces and nephews. Jim was a very warm and caring person and leaves behind many friends and neighbors who, along with his family, will

dearly miss his bright smile and hugs.

A visitation for family and friends will be held Tuesday evening, October 21, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Kidwell-Garber Laurie-Sunrise Beach Chapel in Laurie. Cremation will follow, with arrangements under the direction of the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home of Laurie.