



Drake Sumner Thomas Jr.

March 21, 2003

Thomas Sumner Drake Jr., 72, of Climax Springs, died Friday, March 21, 2003, at the Good Shepherd Care Center in Versailles.

He was born June 5, 1930, in Kansas City, a son of Thomas Sumner and Beatrice June Leach Drake. On Nov. 22, 1957, he was married to Elizabeth A. Ethington, who survives of the home.

Mr. Drake was a retired vice president of Builder's Sand Co. of Kansas City. He was an Army veteran and a member of the Lutheran Church and its Crossroads Program. He loved to fish.

Survivors also include two daughters, Gwen Kellerman of Merriam, Kan., and Amy Siler of Versailles; two sisters, Iona Lerner of Manhattan, Kan., and Jayne Herera of the state of California; and five granddaughters.

Funeral services will be at 4 p.m. Monday at Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home in Versailles, with John Wagner officiating. Graveside services and burial will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday at the Grand Army of the Republic Cemetery in Miami, Okla., with Joe Ben Stone officiating.

The family will receive friends from 2 to 4 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

The family suggests memorial contributions to the Good Shepherd Care Center in Versailles.