



## Leland Leslie Christenson

May 5, 2007

Leland Leslie Christenson, age 87, of Gravois Mills, passed away Saturday morning, May 5, 2007 at the Laurie Care Center in Laurie, Missouri. He was born January 16, 1920 in Fish Creek, Wisconsin, the son of Edwin Cornelius and Clara (Demmin) Christenson.

He was united in marriage on June 5, 1942 in El Paso, Texas with Dorothy Mae Miles.

Leland was in the Calvary from 1939 to 1942 and was a Paratrooper in the 82nd Airborne from 1942 until World War II ended in 1945. He retired from Peterson Shipyard in Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin in 1984 after 31 years of employment.

In 1997 Leland and Dorothy moved to the Lake of the Ozarks near Gravois Mills, Missouri. He was a member of First Baptist Church in Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin for 50 years and a member of First Baptist Church in Gravois Mills, Missouri since 1998.

Leland was preceded in death by his mother and father, one brother Clarence Christenson, one daughter Patsy Lee Chaplin, two grandsons, Kirk Christenson and Tommy Grandon, one granddaughter Melanie Hoeft. He is survived by his wife Dorothy of the home, his sister, Evelyn Sandberg and

husband Ed; two sons, Edwin Christenson, and Dennis Christenson and wife Connie; two daughters, Barbara Radden and husband Jim, and Linda Croft and husband David; eleven grandsons, five granddaughters, and fourteen great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, May 8, at Nicolette Memorial Gardens Shrine of the Good Shepherd Mausoleum Chapel in Green Bay, Wisconsin, with Rev. Cory Dahl officiating. Visitation was from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Tuesday at the Chapel. Entombment followed in the Nicolette Memorial Gardens Shrine of the Good Shepherd Mausoleum, with full military honors under the auspices of the Wisconsin Military Funeral Honors Team. Arrangements were under the direction of the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home of Laurie.