



Paul Adair Barnes

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Paul Adair Barnes 96, of Sedalia, Missouri formerly of Versailles died August 26, 2009 at Bothwell Regional Health Center.

He was born on November 9, 1912 in rural Morgan County Missouri, son of the late James Ellis Barnes and Mary Emma (Adair) Barnes. He was educated at St. Martin School and Versailles High School, graduating in 1930. On April 16, 1937 in Kansas City, he married Hazel Fern Jenkins who preceded him in death on February 20, 2001.

Mr. Barnes was employed at the General Motors assembly plant in Kansas City for 10 years and at North American Aviation for 2 years prior to World War II. He served 3 years in the 3rd Air Force US Army Air Corps during World War II. He and his wife partnered to own and operate Barnes Gateway Jewelry for 25 years in Versailles. He was also interested in real estate and developed several subdivisions on the Lake of the Ozarks. He loved the outdoors and he and his wife were avid fishermen. Mr. Barnes was a member of the Versailles United Methodist Church, a fifty year member of the Versailles Masonic Lodge #320, a fifty year member of the American Legion, and a charter member of the Versailles Kiwanis Club. He also served on the board of the Versailles Industrial Trust.

He is survived by his son-in-law C. Dale Maggard of Sedalia and grandchildren Kimberly Adair Loftus of Plano, Texas and Matthew Charles Maggard of Dallas, Texas. Also surviving are his great-grandchildren John Alexander, Emily Adair, and William Andrew Loftus and Karissa Ellavive Maggard. In addition to his parents and wife, his daughter Deon Rae Maggard, and his sister Mary Frances Otten, preceded him in death.

Graveside services and interment will be Saturday, September 5 at 11:00 am in the Oak Park addition of the Versailles Cemetery. The family suggests memorial contributions be made to the Versailles United Methodist Church. Expressions of sympathy may be left online at www.kidwellgarber.com. Arrangements are under the direction of the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home of Versailles.