



## Thomas E. Ditterline

January 9, 1928 - May 23, 2012

Dateline: Godfrey

Thomas E. Ditterline, 84, died at 10:35 a.m. Wednesday, May 23, 2012 at Jerseyville Manor in Jerseyville. Born January 9, 1928 in St. Louis, MO, he was the son of Leslie C. and May L. (Swanson) Ditterline. Thomas enlisted in the Army, January 9, 1946 on his 18th birthday. He became a Medic in the Army Air Corps, transporting wounded soldiers throughout the United States. He retired as an operation engineer from Shell Oil Company in Roxana after 35 years of service. Thomas was an award winning amateur photographer and avid gardener, sharing his produce with family, neighbors and the Crisis Food Center in Alton. He also loved to travel with his wife Lois and enjoyed hunting and fishing with his family. On June 6, 1949 he married his childhood sweetheart, Lois N. Renner. She preceded him in death on February 14, 1998. Surviving is a son and daughter-in-law, Steven and Patricia Ditterline of Moro, a daughter, Nadine Ditterline of Alton, a granddaughter, Sarah Riley (Tom) of Glen Carbon, a great granddaughter, Shannon Riley of Glen Carbon, two sisters, Gloria Justis (Wilbur) of Decatur, and Sally Stephens (Paul) of East Alton, a brother, John Ditterline (Pam) of Godfrey, and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, wife, and a sister, Shirley Glenn. Visitation will be from 9:00 a.m. until time of funeral service at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, May 26, 2012 at Gent Funeral Home in Alton. Burial will be at Rose Lawn Memory Gardens in Bethalto. Reverend Carl Cook and Reverend Ralph Corwin will officiate. Memorials may be made to the Crisis Food Center

or the Alzheimer's Association.

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Thomas E. Ditterline*

January 28, 2023 at 10:19 AM



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January 28, 2023 at 08:19 AM



“ *My heartfelt prayers and condolences to the Ditterline family.*

**Paul Burrows** - May 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KP

“ Dear Family,

*Our hearts go out to you in the loss of your loved one Tommy. I did not know him very well but heard Deane speak fondly of him many times over the last years. I do remember he was an amazing gardener who shared delicious produce with others.*

*May you all receive comfort from one another as you go through this sad time, and may God be near to your hearts.*

*With warm sympathy,*

*Rich and Kim (Justis) Perry*

*and Family*

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**Kim Perry** - May 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ So sorry for your loss, Cookie. I remember the huge garden your dad had, (and all the balls we neighborhood kids retrieved from it!)and the chickens and rabbits, too. It was like a little farm at the end of the road with the pony farm butting up to your house! I also remember you and I getting your dad's handsaw out to cut the heels off of the pair of red high heels my mom gave us to play with! Luckily he stopped us before we dulled his saw too badly on the concrete we were cutting on! Take care Cookie, I'm thinking of you, and as I said before, sorry for your loss. I know it's not easy.

*With love from your "first friend",*

*Cealy*

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**Cealy Walter** - May 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM