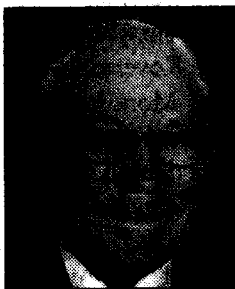


Sylvester W. Bruggeman

Sylvester W. Bruggeman, 93, of Elm St., St. Henry, died on Monday, July 30, 2012, at Briarwood Village in Coldwater.

He was born on Sept. 20, 1918, in Cranberry Prairie, the son of the late Herman and Philomena (Gerlach) Bruggeman.



On July 19, 1947, he married Erma V. (Fortkamp) and she preceded him in death on Jan. 16, 1990.

He is survived by seven children, Pat and Jack Moorman of Coldwater, Nick and Di Bruggeman of St. Henry, Jerry and Dodie Bruggeman of St. Henry, Jim and Alice Bruggeman of Bryant, Ind., Dave Bruggeman of St. Henry, Judy and Jeff Schwieterman of St. Henry, Andy and Lori Bruggeman of St. Henry; 21 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren.

He was also preceded in death by a son, Randy; six siblings, Hilda Everman, Alvira Everman, Raymond Bruggeman, Leo Bruggeman, Alvin Bruggeman and Esther Post.

He was a member of St. Francis Catholic Church and the Chickasaw VFW Post. He served as a private in the U.S. Army ATCO 63rd infantry regiment of the 6th infantry division during World War II.

A Mass of Christian burial was held Friday, Aug. 3 at St. Francis Church in Cranberry Prairie. Burial with military rites followed at St. Francis Cemetery in Cranberry Prairie.

Condolences may be sent to erik@fortkampfh.com.