Melvin G. Vallo

Melvin G. Vallo, 94, formerly of Second Street, Minster, passed away at 9:42 p.m. Friday, April 12, 2013, at Miami Valley Hospital in Dayton.

He was born on April 24, 1918, the son of the late

Arthur and Margaret (Knostman) Vallo.



On May 18, 1946, he married Florence Thieman in Minster, and she survives at Dorothy Love Retirement Center in Sidney, where they have been residents for the past three years.

He is also survived by his children, Steve and Judy Vallo

of Tipp City; Mark and Sara Vallo of New Albany; Mary and Tim Ahrns of Beavercreek; Joe and DeAnne Vallo of Loveland; Tom and Jennifer Vallo of Kohler, Wis.; Martha and Jeff Barlage of Minster; 13 grand-children; one great-grandchild; sisters and brother, Connie Meyer of Minster, Audrey Meyer of Minster, Myrle and Betty Vallo of Kettering.

He was also preceded in death by his siblings and their spouses, Rosella and Nick Hogenkamp-Mehmert, Maurice and Julia Vallo, Velma and Harold Frierott; in-laws, Julian "Bud" Meyer, Wilfred Meyer, Paul Mehmert.

He was a 1935 graduate of Minster High School and served in the U.S. Army from July, 1941 until November, 1945. He spent more than three years of that time in foreign service in the countries of Iceland, Great Britain, France, Belgium, Holland and Germany.

From 1946 through 1950, he was employed by a public accounting firm in Dayton and in 1951, he left there to go with the St. Henry Bank in St. Henry. He was there for almost 12 years as the cashier and member of the board of directors. While there, he also served on the board of directors of The Ottoville Banking Company in Ottoville. In May 1962, he came to The Minster Bank, where he was the president and chief executive officer until his retirement in May, 1982.

Mr. Vallo was an ardent church choir singer, joining the St. Augustine choir in Minster in 1935 and retiring in 2004. While he was in Dayton and St. Henry, he sang with the choirs there. He was also a member of the Knights of Columbus, American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Minster Civic Association and former member and president of the Kiwanis Club of Minster, Minster School Board, 20 year volunteer at Joint Township Hospital in St. Marys, and he was recognized as Citizen of the Year from the Minster Civic Association.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held April 17 at St. Augustine Catholic Church in Minster, with the Rev. Rick Nieberding officiating. Burial followed in the church cemetery with full military honors.

Memorial contributions can be made to the St. Augustine Choir.