

Freeman

obit. - Runquist, Mervin E.
Sept. 29, 1920 - Dec. 3, 2000

Mervin E. Runquist

MOUNTAIN HOME, Ark. - Mervin E. Runquist, 80, formerly of Eagle, died Sunday, Dec. 3, 2000, at Pine Lane Healthcare in Mountain Home, where he had lived since the 1980s.

He was born Sept. 29, 1920, in Polk, Neb., to Freeman Edward and Grace B. (nee Mace) Runquist. He married Lillian K. Duckhorn in 1950 in Milwaukee. She preceded him in death.

Mervin was a World War II Army Air Corps veteran. He was also a member of the First Christian Church of Mountain Home. He was a lifetime member of the Ozark VFW Post 3246 of Mountain Home, a member of the Alley-White American Legion Post 52 of Mountain Home, a member of the Lions Club and Visually Impaired, a member of the Blinded Veterans Association and a member of the Advocacy for the Handicapped. He enjoyed working on cars and in carpentry.

He is survived by three daughters, Wendy (Thomas) Mich of Vancouver, Wash., Kristin (Rick) Lange of Grayslake, Ill., and Renee (Jeffrey) Rinka of Waukesha; five grandchildren; a sister, Arlene McConkey of Greenfield; and a brother, Randall Runquist of Polk, Neb. He is also survived by several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife; one son, Loran Runquist; and one brother, Merle Runquist.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 12, at Roller Funeral Home Chapel, Mountain Home, Ark. Visitation will be held from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday, Dec. 11, at the funeral home. Burial will take place at Fort McPherson National Cemetery in Maxwell, Neb. Memorials may be made to Guide Dogs for the Blind in Boring, Ore., or to the Hospice of the Ozarks.

The Roller Funeral Home, (870) 425-2161, is serving the family.

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