



Oscar Meyer

February 15, 1920 - December 24, 2005

Oscar Meyer -- Manteno Oscar L. Meyer, 85, of Manteno, formerly of Kankakee, was called to his eternal home for Christmas on Dec. 24, 2005 at the Illinois Veterans Home where he had been a resident for the past five years. He was born Feb. 15, 1920, in Kankakee, the son of Waldermer and Hulda Anderson Meyer. A 1938 graduate from Herscher High School, Oscar was called into World War II, where he served as a pilot/gunner, flying missions in China, India and numerous other campaigns. He was a member of the Flying Tigers, 373rd Bomb Squad during his service to his country. Upon returning from the war, Oscar went to work for the Roper Corporation, Kankakee Division in the Enamel Room for 41 years, retiring from there in February 1982. He was an accomplished pilot, earning his private and commercial pilot's license in 1947 and 1949 from Delbert Koerner. His hobbies included flying, repairing lawnmowers, bicycles and other small appliances. Oscar was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church and a 51-year member of the American Legion Post 85. Oscar is survived by his three daughters, Linda and Walt Nolte of Cadiz, Ky., Carol and Bob Bradbury of Piper City, Debra and Matt Hubly of Kankakee; four grandchildren, Dawn Krug, Jill Rieger, Aaron and Noah Hubly; and one great-grandson. He is also survived by one brother and sister-in-law, Everett and Beulah Meyer of Kankakee; two sisters, Augusta Carlson of Bradley and Lucille Sykes of Clarksville, Tenn.; along with several nieces, nephews and cousins. He is preceded in death by his wife, Dorothy Kirchner, whom he married Nov. 23, 1961, at St. John's United

Church of Christ; his parents; and a brother, Alan Meyer. Visitation will be from 4-7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 28, at the Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Chapel in west Kankakee. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday morning at the funeral home. Burial will be in Kankakee Memorial Gardens, following the service. In lieu of flowers, Oscar has asked that memorial contributions be made to the family wishes.

