

Obituary

Dalton Findon Leach, son of Franklin and Cora (Thorton) Leach, was born on September 26, 1912, in Oregon, Missouri. Dalton passed away on Thursday, September 21, 2000 at his home in Shenandoah following a lengthy illness at the age of 87. As a child he attended country school and lived in and around the Savannah, Missouri, area. He spent four years in the United States Army. While serving in the service he was awarded three bronze stars for Luzon, Guadalcanal, Northern Solomons, and a good conduct medal. He was entitled to wear the Asiatic-Pacific Theatre campaign ribbon, the Phillipine Liberation ribbon with a bronze star, six overseas bars, and his ASR score on September 2, 1945 was 88. Dalton's military occupation was a gun crewman light artillery. On October 31, 1953, he was united in marriage with Juanita Burnham in Savannah and they made their home in Shenandoah. Dalton was a farmhand until he went into the service. Following his time in the service Dalton worked with Frank Hart as a carpenter until 1963. He then worked with Don Hertensen until 1978. Dalton continued carpentry work until his health failed.

Dalton was preceded in death by his son Dwight, his mother and father, four sisters and two brothers. He is survived by his wife Juanita of Shenandoah, a son Dennis and his wife Debra of Shenandoah, three grandchildren, Christina Smith of Avoca, Iowa, Dwight Leach and his fiancée Michelle Woodward of Shenandoah, and Denise Leach and fiancé Justin Marsh of Shenandoah, two great-grandchildren, Brianna Leach and Justine Marsh of Shenandoah, two sisters Anne Noland of Forest City, Missouri, Viola Florea of Wichita, Kansas, many nieces and nephews and friends.

Following the committal service at the cemetery, everyone is cordially invited to the First Christian Church basement for a light lunch and time of fellowship with the family.

Hackett-Livingston Funeral Home

Shenandoah, Iowa