



Gehrig, Willis

March 4, 2010

Gehrig, Willis E., 95, of Long Ridge Road, Clarington, Ohio, died Thursday, March 4, 2010 at Wetzel County Hospital, New Martinsville, WV.

He was born May 22, 1914 in Clarington, a son of the late David Earnest and Anna Catherine Thonen Gehrig.

He was a lifelong farmer; a retired storeroom clerk at Consolidated Aluminum; a U.S. Army utility infantry veteran of WWII; a Purple Heart recipient; a pallbearer for Franklin D. Roosevelt; and a member of the Hannibal United Methodist Church in Hannibal, Ohio.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers, Dale and John Gehrig; and two sisters, Hazel Myers and Corrine Bott.

Survivors include his wife of 64 years, Ann Elizabeth Clark Gehrig; four sons, Harry Gehrig, Don Clark (Jean) Gehrig, William David Gehrig and Mark (Mariann) Gehrig, all of Clarington; two daughters, Jo Ann (Bill) Novoa of Mendham, NJ and Barbara (Stephen) Phillips of Stow, Ohio; twelve grandchildren, Christina (Jason) Henthorn, Andrew Novoa, Brian (Billie) Gehrig, Matthew Gehrig, Michael (Andrea) Gehrig, Marka Gehrig, Mitchell (Ali) Novoa, Natalie Gehrig, Jessica (Robert) Hunnell, Gregory (Leanne) Gehrig, Jamison Gehrig and Ryan Gehrig; and two great grandchildren, Jaysa and Joby Henthorn.

Family will receive friends on Sunday from 2-4 and 7-9pm at Grisell Funeral Home, 125 Clarinda Drive, Clarington, where funeral services will be held on Monday at 1:00pm with Rev. Richard Wilson officiating.

Interment in Mount Vernon Cemetery, Clarington.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hannibal United Methodist Church,
P.O. Box 187, Hannibal, OH 43931-0187.