

## **WILLIAM J. RYAN, 88**

William J. Ryan, 88, of Marshalltown, entered into eternal life Friday, March 21, 2008, at the State Center Nursing & Rehab Center while under the care of their staff and the Iowa River Hospice. Funeral services were held Tuesday, March 25th at



the chapel of the Estel-Perrin-Avey Funeral Home. Burial with full military honors will be in the Vienna Cemetery, rural Beaman. Memorial contributions may be directed to the Activities Fund at the State Center Nursing & Rehab Center. Condolences may also be sent to Bill's family at [www.vogelfuneralhomes.com](http://www.vogelfuneralhomes.com).

Born on April 4, 1919, in Conrad, IA, Bill was the son of William S. and Lena J. (Thorp) Ryan. He grew up in Marshalltown and spent his summers growing up at his Aunt Biddie Narbor's home in Beaman. He graduated from the Marshalltown High School in 1937. He served our country during WW II in the 34th Division (widely known as the Red Bull Division) of the 168th Infantry in N. Africa & Italy. After the war, he married Helene Brasch. He later married Janice Dost. The couple made their home in Marshalltown where Bill was employed in the tin shop at Lennox Industries. He was a lifetime member of the Frank-Lewis-Glick American Legion Post #46 and served there in many offices and capacities - including as the ceremonial flag folder for the military honors of fallen veterans. He was a member of the 40 & 8 Voiture Locale #568; the Harry C. Harter V.F.W. Post #839 and the U.A.W. Local #893.

He will be missed by his son, Mike (Rowena) Ryan of State Center and his daughter, Rebecca Stevenson of Marshalltown; five grandchildren, Michael (Melissa) Ryan, Wintress (Chris) Alderton, Erika Stevenson, Casey (Ernest) Land and Blair (Dustin) Susie; six great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

In eternal life, Bill joins his parents, his wife, Jan (July 27, 1987); sister, Sandy George Kelly; and five brothers, Thoran Ryan, Rollie Sargent, and Clair, William & Curly Rose.

  
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