



Russel L. Link

October 25, 1919 - May 1, 2011

Mr. Russel L. Link, 91, passed away Sunday, May 1, 2011 at Orlando Regional Medical Center, in Orlando, FL.

Born October 25, 1919 in North Vernon, IN he was the son of the late Myrtle A. Deppe Link and George H. Link.

Mr. Link attended Butler University and was a graduate of Engineer O.C.S. Fort Belvoir, VA. He was a 1st Lieutenant and served in the US Army Combat Engineers during WWII. Mr. Link was at Schofield Barracks T.H. during the Japanese attack on the island of Oahu, December 7, 1941. He was combat wounded in Italy, January 8, 1944 and spent two years in an Army hospital.

Mr. Link joined the Veterans Administration in 1948 at the VA Hospital, Indianapolis, IN. He served at Van Hampton, VA., Washington, D.C., Pittsburgh, PA, Chicago, IL, Cleveland, OH, and the VA Hospital, Salisbury, NC where he retired after 30 years.

Mr. Link was a part-time baseball scout for the Chicago Cubs from 1949-1951. He loved all sports, especially track, baseball, and golf. He was a lifetime member of the DAV and retired Officers Association. He was a member of Harold B. Jarrett American Legion Post #342, Corbin Hills Golf Club, Rowan Humane Society, and of Stallings Memorial Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 58 years, Eileen Link, August 1, 2003.

Survivors include sister, Juanita Gann, Greenwood, IN; four nephews and two nieces.

Graveside service will be held 2:00 PM – Friday (May 6) at the US National Cemetery, Statesville Blvd. location with Rev. Robert Heard officiating. Military Graveside Rites will be conducted by the Rowan County Military Honor Guard.