RALPH GILBERT MARTIN

Ralph Gilbert Martin, 81, of Lamar, Mo., a former Mindenmines, Mo. area resident, passed away at 5:10 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 26, 2000, at Barton County Memorial Hospital, in Lamar, after a lengthy illness.

Gilbert was born March 10, 1919, in Jamesport, Mo., to Clinton Alfred and Anna Sarah (Niday) Martin. He had been a Barton County area resident most of his life. Gilbert was a crop and cattle farmer and operated a bulldozer during his active years.

Gilbert was a member of the Christian Church, in Liberal, Mo. He was a member of the Automobile Workers of America.

He was a sergeant in the Army Air Force during World War II, teaching airplane mechanics most of the four years he served. He married Helen Alcorn on March 22, 1943, in Siloam Springs, Ark. She survives.

Other survivors include two sons, Ed Martin, Pittsburg, Kans., and Jim Martin, Mindenmines, Mo.; four daughters, Heidi Lanz, Liberal, Mo., Joni Martin, Iantha, Mo., Judy Martin, Denver, Colo., and Jeannie Martin Webb, Jefferson City, Mo.; 13 grandchildren; and five great-grand-children. Gilbert was the last living of nine children born to his parents.

IN MEMORY OF Ralph Gilbert Martin

March 10, 1919 December 26, 2000 **SERVICES**

10 A.M. Saturday, December 30, 2000 Christian Church Liberal, Missouri

OFFICIANT

Phil Abbott, minister

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

ORGANIST - Lucille Jones
SELECTIONS

"I Know Whom I Have Believed"

PALLBEARERS

Greg Lanz Jared Ellis

Matthew Martin

Paul Martin Jimmy Webb

Randy Southard

INTERMENT

Rosebank Cemetery

Mulberry, Kansas

Arrangements under the direction of Lohmeyer-Konantz Funeral Home, Lamar, Missouri