

**Elmer "Pete" Thomas**

Pete Thomas, 100, Lamar, Missouri passed away Thursday, January 13, 2005 at 2:00 a.m. in the Truman Healthcare Facility in Lamar, Missouri.

Pete was born May 25, 1904, the only son of Perrine and Jessie (Alexander) Thomas in Milford, Missouri. He attended the Milford and Lamar schools. As a young man he loved the game of baseball and played for several years at third base for the Milford town team. He taught two years at Stone School north of Milford.

Pete married Eva Mae Boles in 1924 at Dunegan Grove Church. They soon moved to Kansas City where he was a street car conductor and later an employee of Sears, Roebuck. In 1935 he returned to Milford with his wife and three children, Wanda, Bob and Beverly. They opened a restaurant and later a general store. He was appointed postmaster in 1939, a position he held until his retirement at age 70. He and Eva moved to Lamar in 1982.

He is survived by two daughters, Wanda & Bob Wootton of Topeka, Kansas, Beverly & Frank Lucas of Lamar, and one son, Bob & Kathy Thomas of Ottumwa, Iowa, one sister, Nina Stone of Lamar; 9 grandchildren; 12 great grandchildren and many loving nieces and nephews.

Pete was preceded in death by three sisters, Bernice, Gladys, Nona and one grandson, Allen Miller.

Pete was a member of the Milford Christian Church and had been a member of Masonic Lodge for over 50 years.

*In Memory Of*

**Elmer Lloyd "Pete" Thomas**  
*May 25, 1904*                      *January 13, 2005*

*Services*

*11:00 a.m. ~ Saturday ~ January 15, 2005*  
*Konantz-Warden Funeral Home Chapel*  
*Lamar, Missouri*

*Officiating*

*Minister Cliff Hazard*

*Song Selections*

*"Lead Me Gently Home" & "Amazing Grace"*

*Pallbearers*

*Carl Arft ~ Charles Wood ~ Bob Gariss*  
*Dennis Gariss ~ Loren Morey ~ Scott Gardner*  
*Jeff Gardner*

*Interment*

*Howell Cemetery, Milford, Missouri*

*Arrangements Under Direction Of*  
*Konantz-Warden Funeral Home, Lamar, Missouri*