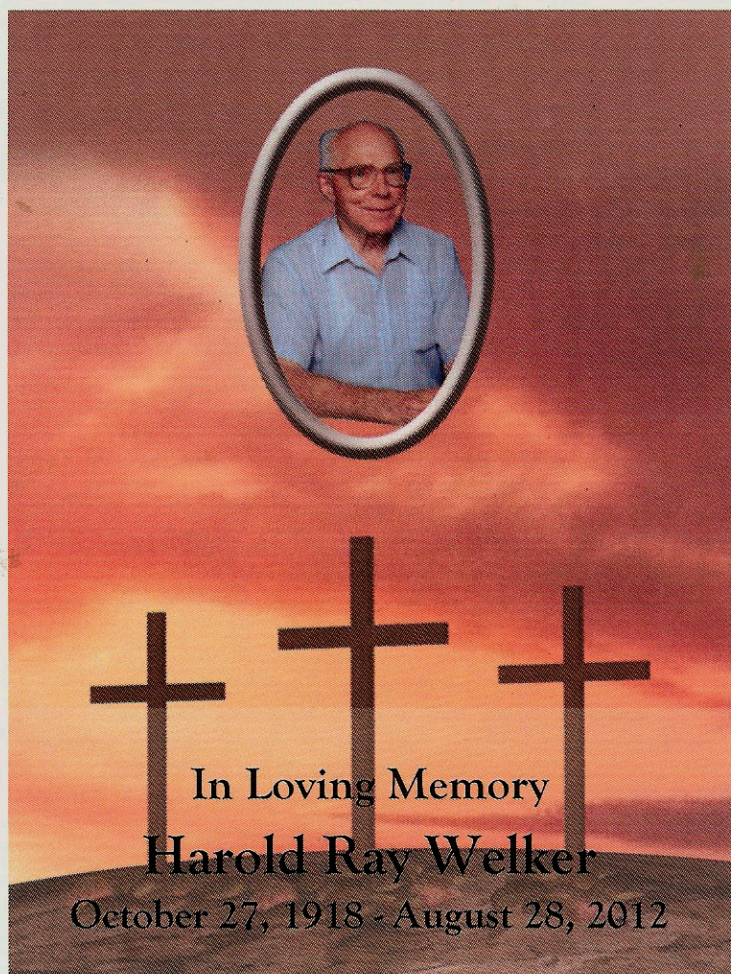


APPRECIATION

On behalf of Harold's family,
we wish to express their gratitude
for your many kindnesses
evidenced in thought and deed,
and for your attendance
at the funeral service.

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Harold Ray Welker, age 93, of Lamar died Tuesday August 28, 2012 at his home.

Harold was born October 27, 1918 to S.E. and Joan Welker near Sheldon, MO. He lived on a farm until age 18 and on March 11, 1937, enlisted in the US Army 17th infantry at Ft. Leavenworth, KS. He was discharged on March 11, 1940 and then reenlisted to 3rd Reconnaissance troop, 3rd division Ft. Lewis, WA in August, 1940. He was transferred back to Ft. Leavenworth in 1941 to US Disciplinary Barracks as a guard (USDB) and served until 1943. He then was transferred to Ft. Warren, WY, where he trained as a heavy truck driver before going to the European Theater of Operations in 1944. Harold was a Cpl and received a sharp shooter metal. He went through four major campaigns, namely; Northern France, Central Europe, Ardennes (Battle of the Bulge) and Rhineland. He was discharged October 28, 1945 at Jefferson Barracks, St. Louis, MO. He retired from Ford Motor Co. after 35 years at Lansdale, PA. He was a member of Lamar First Christian Church and Lamar VFW Post 3691.

On May 4, 1946, Harold was married to Grace Uhler at Parsons, KS. They were married 54 years until her passing on April 4, 2000. Harold's son, Lewis Ray Welker, was born in Parsons, KS. They also had two daughters, Gracie & Evelyn, born in Lansdale, PA, who died in infancy. He was preceded by five brothers and three sisters.

He married Sally Kay Collins in Shrewsbury, PA on September 6, 2003, and she survives. Also surviving are a sister, Dorothy Woody of Independence, MO; one son Lewis and wife Florence Welker of Perkaskie, PA; six grandchildren; one step son, David Myers and wife Amy of Mesa, AZ; two step daughters, Tammy Bisbee and husband Ron of Carthage, MO and Leila Fisher and husband Todd from Gentry, AR; 11 step grandchildren, 16 great grandchildren; 2 four-legged friends, Whitey and Muffy and his best friend, Malcom.

Harold loved to read and study the Bible and had memorized many verses. He spent countless hours in prayer and meditation each day. By God's great grace and mercy he hopes to see you on the other side.

IN MEMORY OF *Harold Ray Welker*

October 27, 1918 ~ August 28, 2012

FUNERAL SERVICE

2:00 p.m. Thursday, August 30, 2012
Daniel Funeral Home

OFFICIATING

Minister Rob Wilson

MUSIC SELECTIONS

"Beulah Land"
"Look For Me At Jesus Feet"
"Amazing Grace - My Chains Are Gone"
John Scott - Soloist
Cindy Lane - Soloist
Tom Willis - Guitarist

PALLBEARERS

Tim Willis ~ David Myers
Ron Bisbee ~ Ron Bisbee Jr.
Nicholas Bisbee ~ Michael Bisbee

FUNERAL HONORS

National Guard Juliet Team
Lamar VFW Post 3691

AT REST

St. James Ridge Cemetery
Milford, Missouri