## Earl C. Boettger of Bloomingdale

Earl C. Boettger, 88, went home to be with the Lord on Thursday, March 19, 2009. Earl was born in St. Louis, Mo. on June 26, 1920. He proudly served in the army during World War II. Until recently, he faithfully participated in the biennial 607 ORD reunions. Earl married Lily Parker in England while stationed there. He remained her loving husband for 64 years. Earl lived a rich and full life. After retiring from Sears, Earl and Lily enjoyed travelling the US and abroad. He loved to fish, bowl and golf. In his later years, he enjoyed gardening, crossword puzzles and playing scrabble with his children and grandchildren. In addition to his devoted wife, Lily, Earl is survived by his daughters, Margaret (Stewart) and Carol (Jim); grandson Bryan (Laura); granddaughter, Clare; great granddaughter Emma; and many loving nieces and nephews. Earl was preceded in death by his mother, Bertha; his father, Louis; his step-father, John; sister, Dorothy; brothers, Louis and Wilford; and dear friends, Stanley and George. Earl had a great heart, was much loved and will be greatly missed by all who knew him. Interment of Earls Ashes will be later this Spring at New St. Marcus Cemetery in St. Louis, next to his beloved father, grandmother, siblings and other family members. At that time, a celebration of his life will occur. In lieu of flowers, donations to a veterans group or favorite charity would be appreciated.

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