

LaVerne Edward Damgaard, 67

Feb. 27, 1924 — Sept. 9, 1991

KALAMAZOO, MI. — LaVerne Edward Damgaard was born Feb. 27, 1924 in Walnut. He was the son of Ed M. and Mabel L. (Henricksen) Damgaard. He was one of 6 sons in the family. He attended school in Walnut and graduated from the Walnut High School. He also attended the American School of Management. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps during WW II in the South Pacific and Japan. He was trained in combat intelligence, commissioned a 2nd Lt., and served with the 6th Division, 4th Marine Regiment, Company C. He was a member of the Plainwell, MI. American Legion Post #250, and the American Legion and Armvets while residing in Iowa.

He married LaVanchie League May 28, 1943. They were the parents of two daughters. Before his retirement in 1983, he was a sales manager for Butler Manufacturing Company. He later was a salesman for Jim Gilmore Auto Dealership in Kalamazoo, MI., for 6 years. He died Sept. 9, 1991, at the Bronson Methodist Hospital in Kalamazoo, after a long illness at age 67 years.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Duane and Merlyn. Survivors include his wife, LaVanchie; two daughters, Dr. Jacque A. Damgaard of Atlanta, GA., and Trudy (J.A.) Schroeder of Tustin, CA.; one granddaughter; three brothers, Earl (Eleanor) Damgaard of Omaha, NE.; Darrell (Marlene) Damgaard of Lisle, IL.; Eldon (Jeannie) Damgaard of Independence; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Sept. 14, 1991 at the Knutson Funeral Chapel in Walnut with burial in the Walnut cemetery. Rev. Ray Molander, officiated.