

## Donald D. Martin, 62

**HARLAN** — Donald Dean Martin, son of Lyle Edward and Edna (Christensen) Martin was born on Sept. 20, 1924 at Harlan. He died on Aug. 3, 1987, at the Bishop Clarkson Memorial hospital in Omaha at age 62 years, 10 months and 14 days. He was baptized in the Lutheran faith. He attended school in Harlan and graduated from the Harlan high school with the class of 1942.

He entered the U.S. Army on Feb. 17, 1943, serving his country during WWII in the European African Middle Eastern Theater as a photo Lab Technician. After his honorable discharge from the Army on March 28, 1946, he returned to Harlan where he worked as a salesman for Storz Automotive. He then worked as an aerial photographer for Zekan-Robbins in Harlan and later became a partner in the firm. He was the owner of Martin Signs in Harlan until his retirement in 1975 and was currently serving as a consultant for Murphy Signs in Harlan.

On April 25, 1954, he married Irma Burkey in Walnut and two children were born to this union. He was a member of the American Legion Helmer Reyelt Post No. 150 of Harlan, and had been a member of the Harlan Volunteer Fire Dept. for 18 years.

He was preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his wife, Irma of Harlan; a son, Craig stationed in West Germany with the U.S. Army; a daughter, Catherine Ann (Mrs Joe) Sondag of Harlan; four grandchildren; and many other relatives.

Funeral services were Aug. 7, 1987 at Pauley Funeral Home in Harlan with Pastor George Gibson of the First United Methodist church in Harlan, officiating. Burial was in the Harlan cemetery with Jerry Clark, Glen Arnold, Leon Burger, Leslie Burger, Kelly Fairchild and C.W. "Rich" Richards serving as casket bearers. Military rites were conducted at the cemetery by the American Legion Helmer Reyelt Post No. 150 of Harlan. Pauley Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.