

## Ronald Rapp, 92

*July 14, 1911 - Oct. 6, 2003*

**LONG BEACH, CA** – Ronald Laverne Rapp- was born July 14, 1911, at Atlantic, son of William and Grace Johnson Rapp. He was one of four children in the family. Ronald attended school in Atlantic where he was active in sports, namely football and baseball. He was a pitcher for the baseball team. After school he worked for the City of Atlantic and was on the volunteer fire department. He also played saxophone in the Atlantic City Band.

Ronald married Wilma Jacobsen July 28, 1932, in Omaha, NE. They were the parents of one son, Ronnie. They lived in Long Beach, CA from 1941 to 1945, where he worked as a civilian engineer with the Navy. They then returned to Avoca where he operated a photo shop and also coached Little League baseball. In 1952, they moved back to Long Beach. Ronald worked as a salesperson for Chrysler Dodge from 1956 until 1984. He had a favorite dog "Lady" who was a boxer and her ashes are being buried with him. Ronald died Oct. 6, 2003, at the Empress Rehab Center in Long Beach, CA, at age 92 years, two months and 23 days.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two sisters, Corinne Underwood and Dorothy Rapp; and a brother, Robert Rapp. He is survived by his wife, Wilma of Long Beach, CA; his son, Ronnie (Millie) of Anaheim, CA; and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Oct. 11, 2003, at the Pauley Knutson Funeral Chapel in Avoca, with Pastor Lou Hoger officiating. Burial was in Graceland Cemetery. Casket bearers were Larry Jacobsen, David Jacobsen, Don Langer, Darren Becker, Dennis Langer and Doug Langer.