Forrest K. Edseth
Jan. 9, 1916 - March 5, 2002

EVANSVILLE—Forrest K. Edseth, age 86, died Tuesday, March 5, 2002, at Haven House, Mercy Assisted Care Hospice.

He was born Jan. 9, 1916, in Dane County, Wisconsin, the son of Bennie and Jennie (Anderson) Edseth. Forrest served in the U. S. Air Force as a mechanic from 1942 1945, earning the rank of Staff Sergeant. He earned the Asiatic-Pacific Service Medal, Philippine Liberation Ribbon, a W-1 Bronze Star, Good Conduct Medal, six overseas service bars, and served in battles in New Guinea, China, Papua, Guadalcanal, North Solomons, Bismarck Archipelago Western Pacific, South Philippines, and Luzon. He married Eleanora Zumkehr in March 1949 at the Little Brown Church in the Vale in Iowa; she preceded him in death on July 31, 1995. He was a dairy farmer for 25 years, retiring in 1964. He enjoyed cooking, gardening, sight-seeing, and loved his family.

He is survived by 2 sons, Dennis (Alberta) Truttmann, Steven Truttmann, both of Monticello, Marilyn (Ralph) Jegerlehner of Monroe, Merri (Albert) Sarbacker of Evansville, Susan (David Lunn) Edseth of Forest Lake, MN; 2 brothers, Vernon and Frederick Edseth, both of Mt. Horeb; 15 grandchildren; 5 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his wife; parents; a brother, Paul; 2 sisters, Dorothy Knight and Delma Brown; and a grandson, Russell Truttmann.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, March 8, at WARD FUNERAL HOME, Evansville, with Msgr. Thomas Campion of Monroe officiating. Burial will follow at Highland Cemetery in Monticello. Friends may call on Thursday from 5 until 8 p.m. at WARD FUNERAL HOME, Evansville.