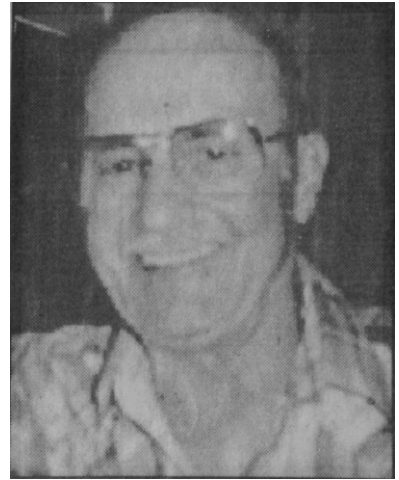


Harry L. Schuerch

MONTICELLO — Harry L. Schuerch, age 76, of Monticello, died Monday, June 21, 1999 at the New Glarus Home.

Harry was born July 25, 1922 in Oneco, Ill., son of Ernest and Elise (Burgunder) Schuerch. He married Margaret Krattiger in 1942. He entered the U.S. Army on March 11, 1943 at Milwaukee, joining Co. E 314th Infantry. He was overseas for 5 months and served in the Northern France Campaign.

On July 26, 1944, Harry was wounded in action by a hidden enemy mine and suffered wounds to his chest and leg, which had to be amputated below the knee. He received the Purple Heart, European-African-Middle Eastern Theater Medal with one bronze star, and the Good Conduct Medal. He was honorably discharged August 29, 1945 at McCloskey General Hospital, Temple, TX.



Harry and his wife, Margaret, were avid motorcyclists and won many awards as best dressed couple of the Dairyland Motorcycle Club. Margaret preceded him in death in 1980. He married Aline Loeffel in 1981. Mr. Schuerch owned and operated Schuerch's Bar in Monticello for 27 years and worked as Street Superintendent for the Village of Monticello for several years. He was a member of Zwingli United Church of Christ, Monticello, Monticello American Legion Post #256, Monroe VFW. Post #2312, and the Disabled American Veterans of Madison. Survivors include his wife, Aline; two daughters, Betty (Kerry) Kimure, Eagle River, Alaska; Mary (Bruce) Smith, Warren, Indiana; four step-sons, Guy (Deb) Loeffel, Monticello; Carl (Nina) Loeffel, Waunakee; Ted Loeffel, New Glarus, Van (Diane) Loeffel, Monticello; 8 grandchildren; 2 step-granddaughters; and a brother, Ernest Schuerch, La Pine, Oregon. He was preceded in death by his father in 1973 and his mother in 1979.

Graveside services will be held Thursday, June 24, 1999, at 11:30 am, at Highland Cemetery, Monticello, with Rev. Lawrence Balleine of Zwingli United Church of Christ officiating.

Friends may call at the Voegeli-Newcomer Funeral Home, Monticello, on Wednesday from 6-8 pm. A memorial fund has been established in Harry's name for the Village of Monticello Lake Montesian Project.