



## John C. Pester

October 28, 1926 - March 12, 2009

John C. Pester, 82, formerly of Wapakoneta, died 6:10 p.m., Thurs. March 12, 2009, at Otterbein-Cridersville, where he had resided for the past 2 years. He was born Oct. 28, 1926, in Bainbridge, OH, the son of Edward & Iva (Rhoades) Pester, who preceded him in death. On Sept. 10, 1950, he married Lois Ann Erb, and she died Nov. 16, 2004. Survivors include, 2 children, Alan (Becky) Pester, Springfield, OH, Kim (Christopher) Fisher, Glasgow, KY, 5 grandchildren, Holly & Brian Pester, Jason (Amber) Fisher, Jennifer (Uriah) Freeman, Jacob Fisher, 4 great grandchildren, Havin, Landon, Elijah, & Kezia, a brother, Charles (Virginia) Pester, Miller City, OH, a sister, Clara Osborn, Cleveland, OH. He was preceded in death by a great grandchild, Joelle, 3 sisters, Mary Lightle, Stella Johns, & Catherine Pester, and 2 brothers, Harry & Jacob Pester. Mr. Pester retired as a crane operator with Peterson Construction Co., Wapakoneta. He also farmed. He was a member of St. Paul United Church of Christ, Wapakoneta, and the Ohio Operating Engineers Union, Local 18. A U.S. Army veteran, John served in the Asiatic Pacific Theater during W. W. II. He enjoyed sports and woodworking. John's family would like to express their sincere appreciation for the excellent care provided by the staff at Otterbein-Cridersville. Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m., Tues. March 17, 2009, at the Bayliff & Eley Funeral Home, St. Rt. 501, Wapakoneta, Dr. Alex Gondola officiating. Burial is to follow in the Greenlawn Cemetery, Wapakoneta. The family will receive friends from 5-8 p.m., Mon., at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be directed to the St. Paul United Church

of Christ. Condolences may be expressed at [www.bayliffandeleyfh.com](http://www.bayliffandeleyfh.com).