

Earl Thompson

Oct. 8, 1920 - July 21, 1997

Earl Thompson, 76, died 5:23 p.m. July 21, at St. Rita's Medical Center.

He was born Oct. 8, 1920, in Lima to Alonzo Reed and Wavalene (Goodman) Thompson.

He married Ruth N. Lies April 10, 1954. She survives.

Other survivors include a son, Dorance (Kathy) Thompson of Cridersville; a daughter, Marietta (James) Marsden of Cridersville; a sister, Ruth Baumgardner of Sherwood, Mich.; seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, John J. Schaub Sr.; and two brothers, Reed and William Thompson.

Mr. Thompson had been a salesman for Klay Supply Co. He was an Army veteran of World War II. He formerly owned Earl's Phillips 66, Cridersville and had been a school bus driver for Cridersville and Wapakoneta schools. He was a member of the Westview United Methodist Church, the Cridersville Lions Club, the Auglaize County Board of Library Trustees and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 6772, Spencerville. He was a life member of the American Legion Post 191, Spencerville and a former member of the Cridersville Board of Public Affairs. He was a volunteer at Otterbein-Cridersville and at Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen, Lima. He was district governor for Lions Club District 13-E in 1974 and 1975.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Friday at Westview United Methodist Church, Cridersville, the Rev. Richard Thomas officiating. Burial will be in Spencerville Cemetery, with military rites by Spencerville VFW Post 6772.

Friends may call 7-9 p.m. today and 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Thursday at Bayliff and Son Funeral Home, Cridersville.

Preferred memorials are to Westview United Methodist Church, the Lions Eye Bank or to the John J. Schaub Sr. Scholarship Fund of VFW Post 6772.