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Louis J. Strom, age 86, of Bellevue, Neb., formerly of Council Bluffs, passed away September 19, 2011, at Heritage Ridge Assisted Living in Bellevue.

He was born January 6, 1925, in Omaha, Neb., along with his twin brother, Lyle E. Strom. They were the first twins born in Nebraska in 1925 to the late Elmer T. and Eda (Hanisch) Strom. Louis graduated from Omaha North High School in 1943 and enlisted in the U. S. Army in June of 1943. He served his country during WWII in the Battles of Leyte and Okinawa, where he was wounded in 1945.

After an honorable discharge, Louis attended University of Omaha from 1946-1948 and earned a BS Degree in Mechanical Engineering from UNL in 1950. Louis furthered his education at University of Kansas City, School of Law in 1955 and entered Creighton University School of Law in 1956, earning his Bachelor of Laws (Juris Doctorate) on January 28, 1959. He married Bonnie Yates on June 15, 1957.

Louis worked for Northern Natural Gas; private practice, Henderson & Strom Patent Lawyers; ESS, Inc. and Office of the President, University of California. Louis was of the Catholic faith; American Legion and VFW.

Louis was preceded by his wife, Bonnie Y. Strom, in 2007; and sister, Myrna Madelen.

He is survived by sons, Paul E. (Deborah) Strom, of Spring, Texas, Robert Y. (Marcy) Strom, of Corona del Mar, Calif., Eric L. Hays-Strom and husband, Scott, of Council Bluffs; grandsons, Cliff (Susi) Strom, of Sammamish, Wash., Brad (Suzanne) Strom, of Corona del Mar, Calif., Aaron Strom, of Cypress, Texas, Brett Strom, of Corona del Mar, Shay Strom, of Cypress; great grandchildren, Jeremy, Dawson, Karen and Bennett Strom; brother, Lyle E. Strom, of Bellevue, Neb.; numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation with the family, Friday, 6 to 8 p.m., at the Cutler-O'Neill-Meyer-Woodring Bayliss Park Chapel. Funeral Mass, Saturday, 10:30 a.m., at Metropolitan Community Church of Omaha. Fr. Rich Macejewski will officiate. Interment Ridgewood Cemetery, Council Bluffs, with military rites tendered by Benson VFW Post #2503. A lunch will immediately follow at Tish's Restaurant in Council Bluffs.