



WHITFILL, CHARLES M.



382ND Medical Tech

October 07, 1921 - July 29, 2016

Charles M. Whitfill, 94, of Fairbury; formerly of Hot Springs Village, AR; passed away at 8:55 pm, Friday, July 29, 2016 at Fairview Haven Retirement Community, Fairbury.

Cremation rites have been accorded. A private family memorial service will be held at Duffy-Pils Memorial Home, Fairbury. There will be no public visitation and the family suggests that memorial contributions be directed to Fairview Haven Retirement Community, Fairbury or OSF Hospice.

Mr. Whitfill was born October 7, 1921 in Bloomington; the son of Lawrence and Polly Anna (Baysinger) Whitfill. He married Betty Mae Scurlock on April 15, 1942 in Forrest, IL. She passed away on February 25, 1970. He later married Frances Ruth Kueper on July 6, 1974. She passed away on January 21, 2008.

Survivors include four children, Michele (Jim) Paternoster of Fairbury, IL; Douglas (Sally) Whitfill of Mount Zion, IL; Stephen (Becky) Whitfill of Oakley, IL; and Tymori Slade of St. Charles, IL; two sisters, Marjorie Baker of Forrest, IL; Helen Meyer of Fairbury, IL; 13 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother and four sisters.

Charles served our country from 1942 - 1945 as a medic in the U.S. Army during WWII. As a Staff Sergeant in the 382nd Infantry, 96th Division he was stationed on Leyte Island, Philippines and in Okinawa, Japan. He was a decorated soldier who received two bronze stars and was awarded the Purple Heart in 1945. Charles was a proud member of the Military Order of the Purple Heart and attended the Veteran's Honor Flight to Washington DC in 2010.