



Gilbert E. Botkin

January 14, 1917 - June 29, 2009

92, of Marion, passed away June 29, 2009. He was born January 14, 1917 in Mooreland, IN, to Gilbert E. Sr., and Edna (McGunigill) Botkin. Gilbert was a staff sergeant in the U.S. Army, and was awarded 4 Bronze Stars while serving at Normandy Beach and the Battle of the Bulge during WWII. In the 1950s he was employed with the brokerage firms Bach & Co. and King Merritt & Co. in New York. Gilbert returned to Indiana to own and operate the family business, South Marion Hardware. An avid golfer, he was a past member of Meshingomesia Country Club. He was a member of Marion Elks Country Club #195 B.P.O.E, where he was proud of his hole in one at the age of 87. Gilbert is survived by his loving daughters, Wynne Weaver Silverman (Ron) of Leawood, KS, and Cyndy Lynn of Port St. Lucie, FL; and 4 grandchildren. His wife of 65 years, Helen Nelson Botkin, preceded him in death. Arrangements are private and entrusted to Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel.