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Mark P. Ralph, 84, a lifetime resident of Lewis County, passed away on Jan. 25, 2010 at the American Lake VA in Lakewood, WA. He was born in Chehalis on Dec. 28, 1925 to Mark F. Ralph & Inez Ralph.

Mark graduated from Adna High School and went on to Centralia College.

He joined the Army and was part of the 96th Infantry Division and during WWII he earned the purple heart & bronze star.

He married Clara L. Ralph (Ricker) on April 28, 1951. He worked at Farmers Insurance Agency for 32 years, retiring in 1991. Mark was a member of the Winlock Lions Club, VFW, American Legion, Lewis County Shrine Club and Masonic Lodge. He loved volunteer work, going fishing, watching sports and making jokes. He was always laughing and very happy.

Mark was preceded in death by his parents and his sister Frances Krah. He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Clara, Longview, WA; daughters Eileen Webster, Longview, WA and Lorraine Ralph M.D., Prescott Valley, AZ; granddaughter Kelsey (John) Palmer, Kelso, WA; grandson Nathan Webster, Bonney Lake, WA; great granddaughters Khloe Palmer and Kinsey Palmer, Kelso, WA.

A Memorial Service will be held at the Cooks Hill Community Church on Saturday, January 30th at 11:00 a.m. with a reception to follow at the Stillwaters gathering place. Services are under the direction of Cattermole Funeral Home, Winlock.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Winlock Lions Club.

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