



Fenwick, Francis LeRoy

Perryville, MO

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A funeral will be held Saturday, June 25, 2011 for 87-year-old Francis Leroy Fenwick of Perryville who died June 22, 2011 at Independence Care Center in Perryville.

He was born Feb 29, 1924, in Perryville, the son of Joseph Elbert Fenwick and Mary Elberta O'Mara Fenwick Hoffman who both preceded him in death.

He married Rita M. Pingel June 21, 1947. Both were graduates of St. Vincent High School, Class of 1943. She survives in Perryville.

He is also survived by a son: Patrick (Linda) Fenwick of St. Peters; three daughters: Jane (James) Schuessler, Julie (Kevin) Comte, and Jean (Richard) Schemel all of Perryville; 11 grandchildren and one great grandson.

He was also preceded in death by a brother: Joseph Fenwick; a sister, Lawana Hoeh and a stepfather: Andrew Peter Hoffman.

He was a member of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church in Perryville.

Leroy was a 4<sup>th</sup> degree member of the Knights of Columbus Council No. 1263 and held the following offices: Grand Knight, Faithful Navigator, District Deputy of Southeast Missouri, and State Secretary. He was also past president of the Holy Name Society and a life member of the Perry County Historical Society.

Leroy served in WW II in the South Pacific with the 96<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division (Dead Bugs) whereby he received the Combat Infantry Badge, a Purple Heart, the Bronze Star, and Two Service Stars. He was a life member of the VFW 4282, the Military Order of the Purple Heart, the DAV, the American Legion, and charter member of the AMVETS.

He was an assistant foreman at the International Shoe Company. He was a rural mail carrier for 38 years and retired in 1992.

Visitation will be 5-8 p.m. Friday, June 24 and 6:30-9:50 a.m. June 25 at the Miller Family Funeral Home in Perryville. Parish prayers with the Knights of Columbus will be said at 7 p.m. Friday. The Rosary will be recited at 9 a.m. Saturday at the Funeral Home.

A funeral mass for 87-year-old Francis Leroy Fenwick of Perryville will be held at 10 a.m. at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church in Perryville. The Revs. Milton Ryan, CM and Rickey Valleroy will concelebrate.

Burial will be in Mount Hope Cemetery in Perryville with graveside military honors by the V.F.W. and the Delta Team.