March 12, 1926

March 2, 2013

John A. Linder, 86, of Delphos passed away at 5:15 a.m. Saturday at Vancrest Healthcare of Delphos.

He was born on March 12, 1926, in Delphos to F. Pat and Pearle (Burt) Linder, who preceded him in death.

On Sept. 3, 1948, he was united in marriage to A. Joan Rice, who survives in Delphos.

Survivors include a son, Louis R. Linder of Ft. Myers, Fla.; two grandchildren, Pat A. (Samantha) Linder and Leslie Geise; and four great-grandchildren, Halie, Addy, Sophia Linder;

Naomi Linder.

He was also preceded in death by a son, Frank Andrew Linder.

Mr. Linder was in the Navy during World War II and served in the Battle of Okinawa. He worked for the Pennsylvania/Conrail railroad as an operator. He was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church and the Delphos Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie 471. He enjoyed playing the organ, fishing and traveling.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Harter and Schier Funeral Home, the Reverend David Howell officiating. Burial will be in Walnut Grove Cemetery with military graveside rites performed by the Delphos Veterans Council.

Family and friends may call from 2-8 p.m. on Tuesday and one hour prior to services Wednesday at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to Trinity United Methodist Church or Allen County Children's Garden.