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## Wathena, KS

Richard E. Tucker, a native of Wathena, KS passed away April 10, 1016 at the Missouri Veterans Home in Cameron, MO, at the age of 91. He was born and raised in the Palermo, KS area to Edward and Beatrice Tucker January 17, 1925.

Richard was proud of his service to his country and the Marine Corps. He served in the Pacific operation during WWII and was recalled to service during the Korean War. He was a member of the American Legion having received his 70 year pin.

He married his wife Marjorie in 1949 and enjoyed 61 years together before her death in 2010.

After the wars he joined Ralph and Tom Yarnetl to establish Tucker/Yarnell Bros. Construction Company.

They built well over 100 custom homes throughout Doniphan County and around the St. Joseph area.

Richard enjoyed the outdoors. Hunting and fishing with his son-in-law and grandsons, as well as camping at Branson, Bennet Springs and other sporting lakes and parks were his favorites. Richard kept busy at home tending to raising registered Tamworth hogs and his Hereford cattle. In the latter years his passion was travelling with the Avion Club to places throughout the USA.

Surviving Richard are his daughter Deanna (Robert) Hewins, three grandchildren, Scott (Kelly), Craig and Jill (Scott) Butler and four great grandchildren, Jackie, Bryson, Hallie and Jessica.

Richard is to be cremated and there will be a visitation from 10:00 to 11:00 am on Saturday, April 16 at Harman-Rohde Funeral Home followed by a graveside service at 11:00 at the Bellemont Cemetery in Wathena.

A special thanks to the wonderful caretakers, nurses and doctors at the Cameron Veterans Home and to all members at the American Legion for their help and caring thoughts.

Memorial donations to the American Legion Post #161 in Wathena would be greatly appreciated.