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Marv Ferguson was born on February 20, 1924 in Beebe, Ark to Henry A and Mae Echols Ferguson. He died on April 11, 2017 at SE Health of Stoddard County at the age of 93.

His family moved to St. Louis when he was a baby. He spent most of his life in St. Louis. He had an official “Knot Hole” kid card for the baseball games and became a life-long St. Louis baseball fan. He won a marble tournament at a young age which advanced him to the national one in New York.

After playing a lot of baseball at 1st base, he was offered a contract to play for a St. Louis Farm Team which he declined. Later he began bowling and won a new car playing against top ranked professionals. This was followed by golf which he “loved” and was very competitive, which enabled him to challenge and sometimes beat young players.

He spent many years in the stainless-steel business, selling the stainless steel to build the Gateway Arch in St. Louis.

He was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Dexter. Marv served his country in World War II as a Staff Sgt. in the Pacific Campaign.

On July 3, 1963, he married Rita McGhee Langley in St. Louis. She survives at their home in Dexter.

Survivors include 2 sons, Larry (Thelma) Ferguson of St. Louis, MO, and Dennis (Denise) Ferguson of Columbia, MO; one step-daughter, Patricia Crane of Essex, MO; 3

grandchildren, 2 great-children; 1 great-great-grandchild; 2 step-great-grandchildren; 1 sister, Edna Dexter of California, 2 brothers, Lee (Wanda) Ferguson of N.C. and Vern (Susan) Ferguson of Florida; also, several nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents and 1 brother, Gene Ferguson.

A memorial service will be held on Monday, April 17, 2017 at 12:00 (Noon) at the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery in Bloomfield, MO.

The family request that any memorials be made to: First United Methodist Church, PO Box 156, Dexter, MO 63841 or Keller Public Library, 402 W. Grant St., Dexter, MO 63841.

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