

Robert L. Tolbert, 84

Robert L. Tolbert, 84, of Victor, died on Friday, Jan. 5, 2007, at Brookhaven Nursing Home in Brooklyn.

A memorial service was held at 11 a.m. on Monday, Jan. 8, at the Smith Funeral Home in Victor with Pastor Jim Davis officiating. Interment was at the Immanuel Cemetery near Victor.

Robert was born on June 2, 1922, in Seymour, to Benjamin and Anna Young Tolbert. He was raised in Seymour and graduated from Seymour High School in 1940. During World War II he served with the United States Army. Following the war he worked throughout the United States with the Signal Gang for the Rock Island Railroad. In 1955, he moved to Victor and served as a signal maintainer for the Rock Island Railroad. He was married to Margaret Walton on March 31, 1956 in Princeton, Ill.

He was a member of the Victor American Legion and the New Covenant Parish - Victor United Methodist Church.

Robert is survived by his wife, Margaret Tolbert of Cedar Rapids; two sons, Mark Tolbert of Victor, and John Bulten of Alburnett; three grandchildren; and two sisters, Eunice Sparagno of Ocean Shore, Wash., and Charlotte Ekman of Marysville, Wash.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one daughter, Mary Kay Bars; and one brother, Howard Tolbert.



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