

Matles, Vincent 1062

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Vincent Matles

Lake Orion's Vincent J. Matles died on Sept. 11, 1993 at the age of 71.

He was preceded in death by his first wife Irene.

He is survived by his wife Karen.

He is also survived by three children, Richard (Karen) of Redford, Michael (Cheryl) of Traverse City, Elaine Matles-Cole of Lake Orion; and 14 grandchildren.

Mr. Matles was retired from the US Army Tank-Automotive Command in Warren where he was Chief of the Test Management Branch for the Bradley Fighting Vehicle System.

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His illustrious career spanned more than 38 years, was highlighted by numerous awards and commendations and culminated in the Meritorious Civilian Service (the highest civilian award).

In 1945, he was seriously wounded as part of the Allied Invading Forces in the Battle of the Bulge and was awarded the Purple Heart. After his discharge from the Army, Mr. Matles enrolled at the University of Detroit where he graduated with a BS in Mechanical Engineering degree.

He was a member of the Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) and its Sub-Committee 15, "Machine Climatization." He was also a Third Degree member of the Knights of Columbus for 40 years and a member of the National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors.

A funeral mass was celebrated at St. Joseph Catholic Church on Sept. 14. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield.

Memorials may be sent to charity of choice or the Hospice of Southeastern Michigan, 16250 Northland Drive, Suite 212, Southfield, MI 48075 (313-559-9209).

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