Ralph W. Bieri, 74

Ralph William Bieri, 74, of Boonville, died Saturday, August 31, 2002. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, 2002 at Thacher Funeral Home with the Rev. Lewis Odneal officiating. Family will receive friends Friday, Sept. 6, 2002 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the funeral home. Friends may call after 3 p.m. on Friday at the funeral home. Burial will be in Walnut Grove Cemetery.

Mr. Bieri was born October 25, 1927 at Jamestown, Mo., the son of Fred J. and Anna Tuttle Bieri. His mother preceded him in death at an early age and he was raised by his father and stepmother, Laura Hurt Bieri. He married Shirley Darlene Simmons on June 1, 1952 in California, Mo. She preceded him in death on October 19, 2001. He lived in the Cooper County area all his life. He was employed by Holsum Baker for 40 years. He enlisted in the United States Army. He was a member of the American Legion in Boonville and a member of the Bakery & Confectionery Union. He was also a longtime member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church, Boonville.

He is survived by one son, Bryan Bieri of Sheridan, Wyo.; two daughters, Dawn Hampton of Sedalia, Mo. and Carol Nauman of Boonville, Mo.; one brother, Harry Bieri of California, Mo. and a sister, Mildred Pace of California, Mo.; seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife; his mother; his father and stepmother and a daughter.

The family suggests memorial donations to the Westminster Presbyterian Church.