## **OBITUARY**

Clarence Edson Ball

Clarence Edson Ball, 76, formerly of Hackettstown and Florida, died on Oct. 8 at the Veterans' Administration Medical Center in Omaha, Neb.

Born in Hackettstown, he was a son of the late Floyd and Carrie Edna Seals Ball. He lived in Hackettstown much of his life and later in Orlando, Fla., for many years, before moving to Nebraska.

He retired from the Army as a sergeant first class, after 30 years of active service.

He was a World War II veteran and had been awarded 14 medals, including the Bronze Star. He served in Germany after the war and was married there, in 1951, to Margarete "Betty" Gabbi Schramm. Mrs. Ball died in 1986.

He was a member of the American Legion Post 294 in Pemberton, N.J., and a was member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. He also

attended Jones College in Orlando, Fla.

His borther Howard Ira Ball of Omaha, Neb., died in October 1977.

Sgt. Ball is survived by his nieces, Elizabeth A, Ball Holmes and Joyce K. Ball Mraz, both of Omaha, Neb.; his grandnephews, Robert Holmes, David C. Holmes Jr., and Mike Mraz, all of Omaha; his grandnieces, Jean Ann Marie Holmes, Donna Humphries and Lisa Mraz, all of Omaha; and greatgrandnieces and greatgrandnephews.

A memorial service for the family was held on Oct. 11 in Omaha. Inurnment was in Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Va., on Oct. 15, where graveside services with modified honors were held. All arrangements were by Heafey, Heafey, Hoffmann, Dworak and Cutler, West Side Chapel, Omaha, Neb.

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