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Charles M. Bell

...of Littleton, served in two wars; 78

LITTLETON — Charles M. "Grumpy" Bell, 78, a 50-year Littleton resident who was a veteran of two wars, died yesterday, Sept. 8, at home. He was the husband of the Phyllis (Davidson) Bell, who died in 1998.

 He was born in New Haven, Conn., on Jan. 31, 1925, a son of the late Raymond and Sarah (Polak) Farr. He grew up in Buffalo, N.Y. and was educated in the Buffalo.

Mr. Bell enlisted in the Army at 16 and served in both the Army and Navy during World War II. He re-enlisted in the Army during the Korean War.

He was married in 1946, and drove trucks his entire career, working for Texaco Oil Co., for 40 years and Lexington Precision Prosthetics for several years.

He was a communicant of St. Anne's Church in Littleton.

Mr. Bell was a member of the American Legion, and former member of the Littleton Lions Club. Mr. Bell was an avid bowler and a member of the Littleton Businessman's Bowling League.

He is survived by a son, Charles E. Bell of Littleton; four daughters, Patricia J. Bancroft of Littleton, Penelope Bell residing in Florida, Paula Bell of Seattle, and Paula Palmer of Groton; a sister, Julia Mills of Toronto, Canada; 11 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

BELL — Of Littleton, Charles M. "Grumpy" Bell, September 8.

Funeral from the Badger Funeral Home, Rt. 2A/110, Littleton on Friday at 9 a.m. with a Mass of Christian Burial at St. Anne's Church, 75 King St., Littleton at 10 a.m. Visiting Hours, Thursday, 7-9 p.m. Burial at Westlawn Cemetery, Littleton.