



## John V. \"Uncle Jack\" Manton

October 25, 1920 - November 16, 2007

John V. \"Uncle Jack\" Manton, age 87, of Beeville, TX., died Friday, November 16, 2007, at his residence in Beeville, TX.

He was born October 25, 1920, in Yonkers, NY., the son of James and Mary (Cunningham) Manton.

Jack graduated from Gorton High School and was employed as an electrical tester at Anacondar Wire and Cable Corporation in Hastings, New York. During World War II, Jack served his country as a soldier in the US Army Corp of Engineers in the European Theater of Operations, and then in the Western Pacific Arena. In Europe, his power plant specialist unit was attached to British and Canadian groups in England, France, Belgium, Holland and North West Germany.

After V.E. Day in Europe, his unit was transferred, via the Panama Canal, to the Philippine Islands in the Western Pacific region. At the close of the war with V.J. Day, veteran Manton was honorably discharged.

On his return home, Jack began anew as a soils analyst in Ann Arbor, Michigan, with the Michigan State Highway Department. While in Ann Arbor, Jack obtained a graduate master degree in both History and Geography. Jack was admitted to PH D candidacy in Geography for the University of Michigan. Professor Manton next taught in Ohio at Youngstown State University geography department, where he retired Professor Emeritus. Prior to his

retirement in 1987, Prof. Manton traveled world wide and often, especially in regions such as the Holy Land, Egypt, Western Europe, New Zealand, Australia and Ireland.

He was also a member of Beeville Optimist Club #0611 (life member); VFW Post 6282-Kenedy, TX (life member).

Survivors include Nephew-Robert E. \"Bobby\"(Cheryl) Manton of Marine, Ill., Nephew-Edward J. (Julie) Manton of Florissant, Mo., Nephew-Frank P. (Linda) Manton of Madera, Calif., Niece-Patrice M. (Ken) LaBlance of Edwardsville, Ill., Niece-Kathleen E. (Bob) Evans of Walls, Miss., Niece-Maureen A. Manton of Marine, Ill., Nephew-James D.(Marianne) Glick of Porter, Texas, Niece-Carol L. Bozant of Beeville, Texas, Niece-Christine L. (Jimmy) Shockley of Sugar Land, Texas, 14 Great Nieces & Nephews; 5-Great-great Nieces & Nephews.

He was preceeded in death by Father-James V. Manton, Mother-Mary (nee Cunningham) Manton, Brother-Edward C. Manton (Died 3/26/2003), Sister-Mary P. Glick (Died 02/07/92), Nephew-James B. \"Oscar\" Manton (Died 9/26/1989), Nephew-John Michael Manton (Died 12/11/1980), Niece-Eileen T. \"Ike\" Shipley (Died 3/14/2002), Nephew-Christopher S. Bozant (Died 08/06/94) and Great-Nephew-Steven Christoper McNeilly (Died 09/28/07).

Arrangements are being handled by Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Marine, Ill.