



## Thomas C. West

October 12, 1934 - September 25, 2005

Thomas C. West, 70, of Hamel, Illinois, died Sunday, September 25, 2005 at Memorial Convalescent Center in Belleville, Illinois.

Mr. West was born October 12, 1934, in Chicago, Illinois, to John and Ruth (Clarke)West. He married Dianne Willoughby, and she survives.

He grew up in Chicago. He served with the US Air Force for over 23 years retiring after spending duty in the Vietnam and Korean Wars. He then worked for Hamel Ready Mix Service and later at Steinmann Trucking Company in Hamel. He was a member of the American Legion Post 564 in Worden, Ill., VFW Post 1299 in Edwardsville, Ill. and was a former teamster with Local 525 in Alton, Ill.

He also is survived by two daughters, Melinda J. (Patrick) Lewis of Edwardsville, IL and Michelle L. (Mark) Feurer of Carmel, New York; two grandchildren, Emma Lewis and Beau Lewis of Edwardsville, IL; and a sister, Iva (George) Forbert, of Frankfort, IL.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brothers - Richard, George and Gerald West.