

Ivan Miller Bence

Ivan Miller Bence was born April 12, 1919, in Napier Township, Bedford County, PA, the son of the late James and Catherine (Miller) Bence.

His brothers and sisters were Ada, Donald, Mildred, Ed, Olive, Lucille, Gene, Ray, Bill, Blanche, and Jim.

His beloved wife, Eva Deibler Bence, died November 10, 2000.

His children and their spouses are Barry and Clarice Bence, of Ephrata, and Mary and David Strauss of Stokesdale, North Carolina.

Ivan was dearly loved by all five of his grandchildren, Michael Strauss, Rebecca Bence, Sarah Katiniaris, Jonathan Bence, and Joseph Strauss, who preceded him in death, but who was never forgotten.

Ivan was a World War II veteran who served with the 59th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, and a life member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1463, Lititz. Ivan was also the first president of Local 2599 Carpenters and Joiners Union.

Ivan died on Tuesday, October 28, 2008.

Internment will take place at a private family gathering.

"Together Again"

Arrangements by Stradling Funeral Homes, Akron/Ephrata. For additional information or to send a condolence to the family, visit [www. **stradlingfuneralhome.com**](http://www.stradlingfuneralhome.com).